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AWAITS CONFIRMATION

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

It is strongly rumoured here that a big Chinese syndicate, supposedly representing Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, has purchased the Majestic Hotel from the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

The purchase price is said to be well over two million taels.

The syndicate, it is stated, intend to continue operating the Hotel, but to utilise the extensive grounds for the purpose of erecting thereon a number of modern buildings and shops.

Tremendous Gains.

The same syndicate has acquired the New World lot near the Racecourse for T.L.S. 800,000. This transaction represents a tremendous gain in land values, as also will the Majestic Hotel sale if it has fetched the price said to have been secured.—Our Own Correspondent.

The rumoured sale of the Majestic Hotel does not come altogether as a surprise, as it has been known for some time past that the property might be disposed of.

Company's Statement.

On enquiry at the Head Office of the Company in Hongkong this morning, the Telegraph was informed that a syndicate has been negotiating for the purchase of the property, on which it has secured an option, but that as yet no actual confirmation of the completion of the transaction has been received here.

We were further informed that the Company has no knowledge of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek being associated with the syndicate, as the negotiations have been conducted through brokers and Marshal Chiang's name has not been mentioned in the matter.

The rumour of the sale has reached shareholding circles in Hongkong, a fact which is demonstrated in the improved quotations for the Company's shares. This morning, there were buyers at \$11.60, compared with \$10.90 yesterday.

Former Mansion.

It will be remembered that the Majestic Hotel was formerly the private mansion of the McEwin family and that it was acquired by the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, in 1923, after the amalgamation of Shanghai Hotels, Limited, with the Hongkong Hotel Company.

Extensive alterations and additions to the mansion were carried out, an additional wing being added to accommodate the fine ballroom and an enclosed winter garden, the lavish scheme of decoration taking many months to complete. It was on November 1st, 1924, that the opening of the Hotel took place with outstanding social functions. Since that time the Hotel has been carried on with practically no additions to the bedroom accommodation, although this work was anticipated at the time of the purchase. As is known, the Hotel stands in extensive and magnificent grounds.

As to the value of the property, it may be recalled that the Chairman of the Company stated in his speech at the annual meeting in March last, that the value of the site as it appeared in the Company's books was, in round figures, a million dollars below the figures shown by the latest Municipal assessment.

Other Big Deals.

The deals now reported follow a very brisk month in real estate trading in Shanghai. During November, an unusually large number of transactions were consummated, the Central District being the centre of activities. Seasons acquired the corner of Kiangse and Poochow Road;

DOLE DIFFICULTY OVERCOME.

REDRAFTED CLAUSE GETS
COMMONS APPROVAL.

ALTERNATIVE WORK.

London, Dec. 12.

During the Report Stage of the Unemployment Insurance Bill, the Attorney General (Sir William Jowitt, K.C.) introduced a substitute clause for Clause 4 of the Bill.

The original Clause 4 abolished the condition placing on the claimant for unemployment pay the onus of proving that he was genuinely seeking work, and placed on the Labour Exchange the onus of showing before refusal not only that employment of a suitable kind for the claimant was available, but that he could reasonably have been expected to know of it.

During the Committee Stage of the Bill, Miss Margaret Bondfield withdrew this clause, with a view to redrafting it, this step being taken as a result of pressure by the Left Wing of the Labour Party, led by Mr. Maxton.

The substitute clause introduced by the Attorney General to-day, which was drafted to meet the objections to the original clause, was adopted by 290 votes to 169.

Sir William Jowitt said the real difficulty was to separate the workman from the honest trader, but suitable employment might be offered the claimant outside his usual occupation, which, if refused, would involve loss of benefit.

Mr. Maxton supported the new clause.

The House of Commons is to adjourn on December 24th for the Christmas Recess, and will resume on January 21st.—*Reuter.*

ECHO OF THE BOTNIA OUTRAGE.

NORWEGIAN SHIPPERS AND CHINA PIRACIES.

Oslo, Dec. 12.

At a conference of Norwegian shippers, over which the Prime Minister presided, a resolution was passed requesting the Department of Commerce to appoint a committee to consider measures for the protection of Norwegian vessels in Chinese waters against pirates.

The committee is also requested to secure compensation for the victims of any piracy that may occur.—*Reuter.*

COMMANDER BYRD HONOURED.

AMERICA'S HIGHEST MEDAL AWARDED.

Washington, Dec. 12.
The Smithsonian Institution has awarded Commander Byrd the Langley Medal for aerial exploration in the Antarctic.

The medal, which is also held by Colonel Lindbergh, is considered the Blue Riband of American aviation.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AMERICAN BUSINESS.

STABILISATION COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

Washington, Dec. 12.
The Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce has appointed twenty outstanding business and financial leaders as an Executive Committee to promote the stabilisation of business in accordance with President Hoover's policy.—*Reuter's American Service.*

the Far Eastern Hotel with adjoining Chinese houses at Tibet and Pakhoi Roads is reported to have changed hands; the Peking Road lot of the Shanghai Power Company was sold to the National Commercial Bank, and another Chinese bank acquired a property on Ningpo Road.

Expressed in figures, these November transactions amounted to approximately T.L.S. 2,550,000—altogether a lively month for the Central District.

WORST OF STORM NOW OVER.

NANKING SURMOUNTS THE CRISIS.

TENSION IN NANKING AND SHANGHAI RELAXED.

WAR ON TANG SENG-CHI

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

The worst storm that the National Government has ever been called upon to face is believed to be over. A week ago it seemed that the Chiang Kai-shek regime was certain to fall. To-day, there is little doubt that the situation is well in hand and that practically every contingency has been provided for.

The railway services between Nanking and Shanghai have been resumed, but vigilance along the line is unrelaxed.

The Government, it is understood, has formulated a plan of campaign, which aims at defensive operations at all danger points, except North Hupeh. Here, where General Tang Seng-chi's troops are concentrating, the decisive battle will be fought, according to Government arrangements.

Easier Situation.

All available troops will assist Tang Seng-chi and when he has been eliminated, the other rebellious generals will be dealt with if their surrender is not already forthcoming.

The easier situation is reflected in Shanghai, where tension is completely relaxed and where the curfew in the Chinese city has been lifted for the first time.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Yen Hsi-shan Loyal.

Nanking, Dec. 13.

The latest developments indicate that the Government's position is stronger than it appeared two days ago.

The decision of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee to expel Mr. Wang Ching-wei from the party and the publishing of four telegrams between Chiang Kai-shek and Yen Hsi-shan, in which the latter expresses loyalty to Nanking, is regarded in Nanking as proving that the National Government is not going immediately to the rocks as has been predicted.

Canton Victory Decides.

The decision to expel Wang Ching-wei is regarded as proof that the Government forces consider themselves able to defend Canton. Hence, there is no reason for coming to a compromise with the Leftists.

The Government is actively preparing the campaign against Tang Seng-chi.—*Reuter.*

Moving Against Tang.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.
Extensive troop movements are taking in various parts of Honan and along the borders of Honan and Hupeh, indicating that the followers of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek are preparing a concerted drive against the rebel armies under General Tang Seng-chi.

Over ten Nanking Divisions in Honan and vicinities have received instructions to move against Tang Seng-chi and the Kuomintang forces.

Two Nanking Divisions under General Ma Hung-wei and General Yang Kih, who have pledged their loyalty to the National Government despite rumours to the contrary, will move from the Lung-Hai Railway towards Changchow, the stronghold of the rebels.

Loyang is controlled by another loyalist Nanking Commander, General Hsu Yuen-yuen and he will engage Tang Seng-chi from Yenching. Fighting between Nanking and Tang Seng-chi's forces are expected to break out in the near future at Yenching.

Wuhan Troops Active.

Thousands of pro-Nanking troops in Wuhan and Hankow, principally under the command of General Liu Shih, are moving into Honan with the intention of (Continued on Page 12.)

BRITISH SHIPPING "COMBINE."

U.S. COMPANY'S COMPLAINT DISMISSED.

ATLANTIC FREIGHTS.

New York, Dec. 12.

The somewhat remarkable action started by the United States Navigation Company against British steamship companies came to a close to-day, the United States District Court dismissing the complaint.

The U.S. Navigation Company alleged that thirteen British steamship companies, including the Cunard Line were engaged in a conspiracy to force it out of the Atlantic trade by their system of contract rates.

The thirteen British companies named are members of the North Atlantic and United Kingdom Freight Conference, by which all maintain the same rates for cargo.

The American company alleged that the contract system under which they worked compelled American consignors to use British ships even if they wished to use American vessels.

The Court, dismissing the complaint, agreed with the contention of the defendants that the matter should have been submitted to the Shipping Board.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE BANK RATE REDUCTION.

PLEASANT SURPRISE FOR LONDON.

London, Dec. 12.

The bank rate was reduced to-day from 5½ to 5 per cent. The reduction had not been expected before the end of the year, and it came as a pleasant surprise.

It was on September 26th that, owing to the threat to the British gold holding brought about by speculation in New York, that the bank rate was raised to 6½ per cent., which was the highest rate for eight years. Then came the New York slump, which eased the world money position and increased the Bank's chances of increasing its gold holding.

On October 31st, the rate was lowered to 6 per cent. Three weeks later, it was reduced to 5½ per cent.—*British Wireless.*

SERIOUS CHARGE.

POLICE SERGEANT ACCUSED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Pi Shih-hsu, a Shanghai Police Sergeant, appeared before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the manslaughter of Lo Chak, a married Chinese woman, aged 50, who resided at Eastern Street.

Mr. P. C. E. Rendall defended and a week's remand was ordered, bail of \$250 and two sureties of \$50 being allowed.

A short time ago, the defendant was charged with assaulting and causing grievous bodily harm to Lo Chak, when it was alleged that he struck her a blow which caused her removal to the hospital, where she subsequently died.

FRENCH WAR DEBT TO U.S.A.

REPRESENTATIVES APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT.

Washington, Dec. 12.
The House of Representatives, by 239 votes to 100, to-day passed the Bill providing for the settlement of the French War Debt to the United States, amounting to \$24,925,000,000.

The Bill now goes to the Senate.—*Reuter's American Service.*

VARISITY SOCCER. CAMBRIDGE & OXFORD DRAW.

London, Dec. 12.

The Association football match between Oxford and Cambridge resulted in a draw of one goal each. Bradshaw scored for Oxford and Kemp-Welch for Cambridge.—*Reuter.*

COAL MINES BILL ATTACKED.

LIBERALS TO OPPOSE MARKET SCHEME.

FEATURES OF PROPOSALS NOW PUBLISHED.

RIGHTS OF CONSUMERS.

Any hope that the Government's coal proposals would find an easy passage through Parliament have been dispelled by an announcement that the Liberals will oppose the Coal Mines Bill on Tuesday next.

The Government is accused by the Liberals of formulating a scheme which would give statutory rights to vested interests, the last thing one would expect from a Socialist Administration.

It seems probable that the controversy aroused by the Bill will be greater than marked the presentation of the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

Solution of Problems.

London, Dec. 12.
The text of the Coal Mines Bill, which represents the Government's plan for solving the problems of the coal industry has been issued.

Part One deals with the marketing scheme, it proposes to regulate the production, supply and sale of coal by means of a central co-ordinating scheme for the whole of Britain and districts.

The Bill contemplates that these schemes will be operated by the colliery owners themselves and it provides for the schemes being so framed as to ensure that within reasonable limits, the quantity of coal offered for sale by any colliery, and the price charged for it, shall accord with the state of current demand.

Public Protected.

The public interest is to be protected by the fact that all the details of every scheme require to be approved by the Board of Trade and further, by the formation of a National Committee of Investigation, containing representatives of the consumers.

If a complaint reported by the Committee of Investigation to the Board of Trade as to the operation of the scheme in any district is not rectified, the Board may make a new scheme for the district.

Penalties are prescribed for the contravention of this part of the Bill.

Reduced Hours.

Part Two contains the proposal for reduced hours, to which the colliery owners object. It is proposed that the eight hours day, allowed by the Act passed by the Conservative Government in 1926, should be reduced to seven and half hours on April 6th.

Part Three of the Bill authorises the Board of Trade to set up a National Industrial Board to investigate any dispute as to the terms of the colliery workers.

At a meeting of the Miners' Executive to-day it was decided to give unqualified support to the Bill.

Miners' Support.

While the Bill will encounter opposition from a section of the Conservatives because it reduces the miners' working hours, it is indicated that Liberals will oppose its marketing provisions on the ground that they would benefit the industry at the expense of the consumer.—*British Wireless.*

Liberal Amendment.

London, Dec. 12.
It is learned that an official Liberal amendment will be moved for its second reading on the 17th instant.

The Liberals propose its rejection on the ground that it does nothing to promote the reorganisation of the coal industry or to secure a reduction in the costs of production through higher efficiency.

On the contrary, it is argued, the Bill gives statutory vested interests to inefficient pits, will curtail the production of efficient pits and will subsidize coal supplied to competing manufacturers abroad, while increasing the price to British industries and placing a heavy burden on consumers generally.—*Reuter.*

MR. SNOWDEN AND SILK DUTIES.

STATEMENT LIKELY BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

NON-COMMITTAL YET.

London, Dec. 12.

Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether he was aware that the uncertainty as to whether the silk and artificial silk duties would be retained was seriously holding up business in artificial silk goods, Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, made an agreeable announcement.

He said that representations in the sense of the question had been received both as regards silk and artificial silk and other duties, but he could not anticipate the budget decisions in relation to these matters.

He was, however, considering a number of suggestions applicable to the different trades as to the procedure that might be adopted in the event of the repeal of the duties affecting them in the next budget, so as to mitigate any anxiety that might exist in those trades and to enable business to be carried on without interruption.

While he could not commit himself to any of those suggestions, he hoped it might be possible for him to make some statement on the whole matter before Christmas.—*British Wireless.*

PATHE FILM FIRE DISASTER.

OFFICIALS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

New York, Dec. 12.

Mr. J. O. Flinn, the Vice-President, and Mr. H. F. Lalley, the manager, of the Pathe Film Company, have been arraigned on a charge of manslaughter in connexion with the disastrous fire at the Pathe Studio in Upper Manhattan two days ago when five men and four women were burned to death, and twenty persons were sent to hospital severely burned.

The victims were making a "talkie" when the outbreak occurred. The premises were destroyed.

It is understood that the case for the prosecution is based upon allegations of culpable negligence on the part of the two officials charged.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Later.

Messrs. Flinn and Lalley have been released on bail.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN LONDON.

M. SOKOLNIKOFF UNABLE TO SPEAK ENGLISH.

London, Dec. 12.

Mr. Gregory Sokolnikoff, the newly-appointed Russian Ambassador to Great Britain, arrived in London to-night, and was met by a representative of the Foreign Office.

The new Ambassador does not speak English and he declined a statement to would-be interviewers. It is probable that he will issue one shortly.

Sir Esmond Ovey, the British Ambassador to Moscow, arrived in the Soviet Capital this morning and was duly received by a representative of the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

SOVIET RELATIONS WITH TURKEY.

M. KARAKHAN'S VISIT TO ANGORA.

Constantinople, Dec. 12.

M. Karakhan, the acting Foreign Commissar at Moscow, arrived in Constantinople to-day on board a Soviet gunboat, and proceeded to Angora as the guest of the Turkish Government.

Recent Russo-Turkish coolness has disappeared as the result of the mutual trading agreement concluded at the end of last month, and the visit of Mr. Karakhan is believed to be for the purpose of further cementing the improved relations.—*Reuter.*

REBELS HEAVILY DEFEATED.

IRONSIDES RETIRING TO TSINGYUN.

A CANTON ACCOUNT OF THE DECISIVE BATTLE.

ENORMOUS LOSSES.

Once again has Canton repulsed an enemy almost at its doors, says our Canton correspondent in a message despatched last night. The Ironsides have been beaten back at every point, and they are retreating rapidly, probably until they are able to reorganise. Further confirmation of their defeat on Tuesday night is available, while it is certain that the Kwangsi troops on the West River are also withdrawing.

Another brief battle took place on Wednesday at Yuanan, the Ironsides again being heavily defeated. They are retreating to Tsingyun, which is on the North River at least fifty miles from Canton.

The situation, says our correspondent, is brighter everywhere, and the Canton populace has been reassured by reports from the North (which are not true) that the rebellion of Tang Seng-chi has been finally suppressed.

Ironsides on the Run.

There is no official news from the front, but no further chances of importance are expected for some time. It has not been possible to obtain information of the exact whereabouts of the enemy forces, but it is certain that they have already retired beyond Fan Yuan, the point of their first offensive.

The commandeered cars and motor-buses which were taken off the streets of Canton on Monday for transporting troops to the battle area, have not yet made their reappearance.

Battle for Canton.

A rather vivid report of the battle for Canton comes to hand this morning from the Canton News Agency, which says that full details of Wednesday's battle are given in all the local vernaculars, indicating that the losses to the enemy have been enormous and that the morale of his troops is at zero point.

The plan of the Cantonese has been to induce the enemy to advance up to a certain point, when the order for general attack would be given.

On the 9th, the order was issued to the troops. At the time, the Ironsides were facing the right wing of the Cantonese at Sun Tien, Cheung San, and Chuang Fu lien, while the Kwangsi forces were advancing against the Cantonese front line at Kung Tien, Kuo Tai and Chih Ni.

Fatal Night of 10th.

On the night of the 10th, the most severe battle so far was fought between the Ironsides and the National troops at Liang Lung Hu, resulting in the former being completely beaten, with one entire brigade under Central Ng Kio-fel being destroyed.

From this engagement, over 4,000 rifles and war material, and 3,000 prisoners fell into the hands of the Government.

The Kwangsi troops made repeated and determined attacks, but were repulsed with heavy losses. On Wednesday, their casualties were further increased through the explosion of land mines; it is reckoned that their losses cannot be less than 7,000 men.

Yesterday, at 10 a.m., the whole line of the enemy at Kung Tien began to retreat.

Close Pursuit.

The Cantonese are following them closely, determined not to give the enemy a respite after the last two days' bloody fighting.

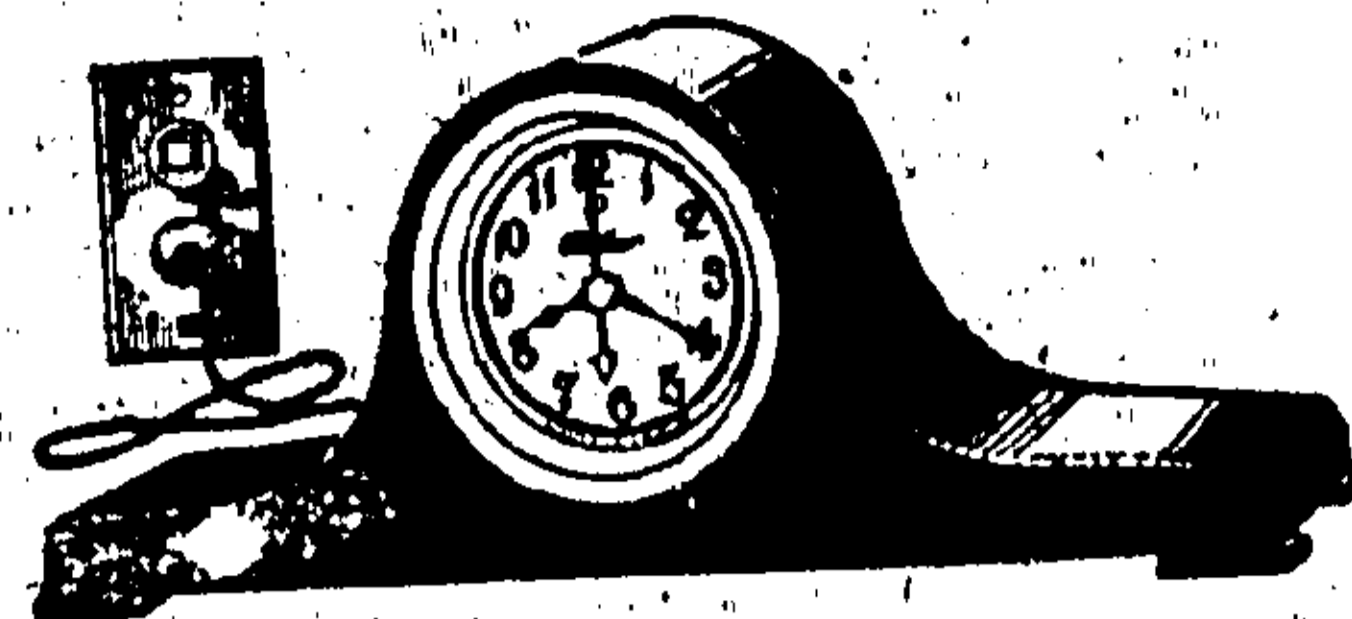
The Cantonese and National gunboats co-operated effectively while the battle was raging. Marines landed at Sun Tien, where they used machine guns to beat the enemy trying to cross the river. Hundreds perished in the river. (Continued on Page 14.)

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THE BREWER CASE CONTINUED.

ITEMS WHICH SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SHOWN AS ASSETS.

BANK BALANCE SHEET.

Mr. Li Tung, the auditor to the Instone Banking Corporation, continued his evidence in the Brewer case, which was resumed before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Continuing his cross-examination of Li Tung, the auditor, Mr. E. Davidson, on behalf of the defence asked:

I think you informed the Official Receiver in July that you had told Mr. Brewer how the balance sheet should be prepared?—I only asked Mr. Brewer how he prepared the balance sheet.

I want to be quite fair to you, Mr. Li Tung. I have seen the note taken by the Official Receiver of your cross-examination and I have no doubt it is correct. I have got a note here, and according to it when you were cross-examined by the Official Receiver you said you told Mr. Brewer how to prepare the balance sheet?—That is a misunderstanding. I only asked Mr. Brewer how the balance sheet was prepared.

Well, that reads different now. You asked him how it was prepared and you told the Official Receiver in July that you told Mr. Brewer how it was to be prepared?—I only asked him how it was prepared. I didn't tell him how to prepare it.

Your statement to the Official Receiver then was untrue?—Perhaps the Official Receiver misunderstood me.

You said also on that occasion: "I did not prepare the balance sheet. The balance sheet was signed and given me to audit." Is that true?—The balance sheet was prepared and given me to audit.

Already Typed Out.

You said: "The balance sheet was signed and given me to audit." Is that what you told the Official Receiver?—Well, I did not notice whether it was signed or not. It was given me to audit.

At any rate your case is that the balance sheet was given to you already typed out?—Yes.

You know who typed it?—No. You said the balance sheet was signed. It was given you to audit, and that it was given you to audit at the beginning of your audit?—The three subsidiary balance sheets were given to me first, the combined balance sheet later.

Mr. Li Tung, what you have said in July, nearly six months ago, was: "The balance sheet was given me to audit; I audited it, and it took me ten days in my spare time." Is it true that you received the balance sheet and then audited it, or was it not true?—I did not notice particularly whether it was signed or not.

I have said I don't mind that. I accept your statement on it. I only ask whether it was true that the balance sheet was audited. You said, according to the Official Receiver's notes here, "I audited it and it took me ten days." Is it true you received the balance sheet first, audited it, and then it took you ten days to audit it?—He gave me three balance sheets first. That will make four with the combined balance sheet he handed to me subsequently.

Compared with Other Three.

But you said here, in those notes, that "the balance sheet was signed and given me to audit?"—Perhaps it was a mistake due to putting the word "balance" in the plural instead of the singular number.

You say now that you audited those three (subsidiary) balance sheets?—Yes.

You audited these three balance sheets and came to the conclusion that they were correct?—Yes.

And when did the balance sheet, the one you signed, make its appearance?—I was given three balance sheets at first. One or

two days later, I was given this fourth balance sheet.

(The balance sheet now provided to witness was the combined balance sheet, otherwise known as the typewritten balance sheet to distinguish it from the printed balance sheet, which is the one to which objection is now taken by the Crown.)

Was that typewritten balance sheet signed by anybody when you received it?—I did not pay particular attention to that, but it appeared to have been signed.

You then compared that balance sheet with the other three. Is that your method?—Yes.

And that balance sheet you checked by the other three?—Yes.

And you signed it as it is now on June 6, 1928?—Yes.

Replying to other questions, witness said he did not see Mr. Liu, the Secretary of the Instone Banking Corporation while he was there. He did all his auditing in Mr. Brewer's room without receiving any assistance other than that of the President of the Corporation.

Alteration of Capital.

Mr. Davidson: You cannot tell us, therefore, whether Mr. Liu knew anything about book-keeping or balance sheets?—No.

Producing the printed balance sheet, stated by the Crown to be the ultimate and final one prepared for that year, Mr. Davidson asked witness: You know who inserted the Chinese characters on this balance sheet?—I do not know who did.

I put it to you that the Chinese characters were inserted by yourself and Mr. Liu after the balance sheet had been signed?—I absolutely deny it.

Mr. Davidson explained that this was after the balance sheet had been passed by the directors' meeting of 1928.

I put it to you that Mr. Brewer was away from the Colony on Monday, June 11?—I was not aware of that.

June 11 was three days after the directors' meeting. I put it to you that Mr. Brewer, on his return, was ill and continued to be ill to the end of that month?—Not to my knowledge.

Do you recollect the day on which you signed the proof of that balance sheet?—No.

I put it to you that you signed that sometime either on June 12 or shortly afterwards at Mrs. Brewer's request?—No.

I put it to you that you were responsible for the alteration of capital?—No.

Audited After 5 p.m.

Did you not see Rodrigues during your audit?—I saw him once. At what time?—I cannot say exactly, but I did the auditing after 5 p.m.

Why did you do the auditing after 5 p.m.?—I would like a ruling from the magistrate for you to refrain from asking that question.

Mr. Grantham said it must be answered.

Mr. Fitzroy explained that the witness was in the employ of someone else, and he did not wish to disclose his name.

Mr. Davidson:—In other words, you had other employment during the day.

Will you look at the green

balance sheet and the three balance sheets. You will see on the liability side \$466,400.25 for customers' deposits. I have got here the balance sheet for the Hongkong branch and you will see on the liability side a head office loan of \$260,000. The assets of the head office were \$264,130 which was therefore a debt of the Hongkong branch and that \$260,000 to the credit of the head office?—I have not seen those papers.

But you audited these papers from which you made up the balance sheet?—No.

You say they are not the ones you used?—I have not seen those three papers before.

Was the \$260,000 of credit appearing in the head office books as against the Hongkong office?—I am in a difficult position to answer that question without reference to the three papers given here.

You saw nothing wrong with the particular entries?—No.

Indifferent English.

Re-examined by Mr. Fitzroy, witness said that he was certificated to audit Chinese accounts and Chinese accounts only.

What would you describe your English as. Good or indifferent?—Indifferent.

You have been asked questions by the Official Receiver. Did you give your evidence in English then?—Yes. Questions and answers were in English.

You were given a type-written balance sheet, exhibit H. Is that the one?—Yes.

You were given three others from which you compiled one?—Yes, four altogether.

You were asked a question as to whether it was signed when you first received it, and I think your answer was that it appeared to be signed. I want to know what you mean by "appeared"?—I was intent on my auditing.

Do answer the question: Do you or do you not know that it was signed?—I can't remember.

You also said "From these three statements, I told Mr. Brewer how to make up a balance sheet?—No. I asked Mr. Brewer if he had a proper balance sheet from these three balance sheets. I asked the question."

You say it is a mistake as it is written down here?—It is a misunderstanding.

Not Asked to Sign.

You understand that you are here to tell the truth whatever might come out. Are you sure that Mrs. Brewer did not ask you to sign that at her request?—No.

Do you remember where you signed that exhibit H.7?—In Mr. Brewer's room.

Was Mr. Brewer there when you signed it?—Yes. Mr. Brewer was present.

Did you alter the Chinese character?—No.

This concluded the re-examination of the witness, who was then asked by Mr. Davidson "After the annual meeting of the Company, did Mr. Brewer say anything about the alteration of the capital?—Mr. Brewer did not say anything about the alteration of the capital. I did not even know when the annual meeting was.

No Money Received Traced.

Mr. S. Hampden Ross, the liquidator appointed to investigate the books of the Instone Banking Corporation on behalf of the Official Receiver, was the next witness called. He said he had seen a very large number of books belonging to the Bank, and amongst these was a minutes' book of the Company. Witness was asked to investigate the given balance sheet, and he noted that the amount of \$1,474,000 shown as capital issued was made up of the nominal values of 14,700 shares.

Capital issued and subscribed shown standing at \$2,613,260. was next checked and it was found apparently to include 11,330 shares, which had not been issued or allotted.

According to the ledger there was an account called the Allotment Suspense Account, amounting to \$1,333,000 with a footnote on the same folio showing how this was made up from a list of applications, neither have I seen any documents showing that shares had been accepted in any way," he added.

Had to "Dive Around."

Witness, continuing, said he found a pencilled note somewhere showing an amount of \$5,250, which, presumably was the capital of the Shekhi branch. Added to the two amounts of \$1,474,000 and \$1,333,000 the total would correspond to the capital described as issued and subscribed on the liabilities side of the balance sheet.

Mr. Fitzroy: Is that liability correctly stated?—Witness: I don't think so myself. Apparently the only amount of paid-up capital according to the books was \$978,510, this being in respect of the 14,740 shares issued. That perhaps might also include the Shekhi capital. In my opinion that is all that should appear.

Questioned next with regard to the amount of \$1,420,950 of Uncalled capital shown as an asset in the balance sheet, witness said that merely consisted of \$401,250 of uncalled capital on allotments and of \$1,019,700 of unallotted shares. To arrive at this witness had, he said, "to dive around" before he could find the corresponding entries in the books.

Uncalled Capital.

The Public Prosecutor: In your experience as auditor do you consider 90 per cent of unallotted capital an asset?—Well, it may or may not be an asset. It all depends on whether it is in fact an asset. It may be bad.

I ask you, do you consider uncalled capital on unallotted shares can ever be an asset? Can you call that an asset by any stretch of the imagination?—I don't think so. Witness added that in his opinion it was incorrect to class uncalled capital as an asset whether it was allotted or otherwise.

The Public Prosecutor: Then on that, the whole of that amount of \$1,420,950 is incorrect, should not be there at all as an asset?—It should not be shown as an asset.

Questioned next with regard to the item accounts receivable as displayed in the balance sheet, witness said it was made up of many items. It included certain (Continued on Page 11.)



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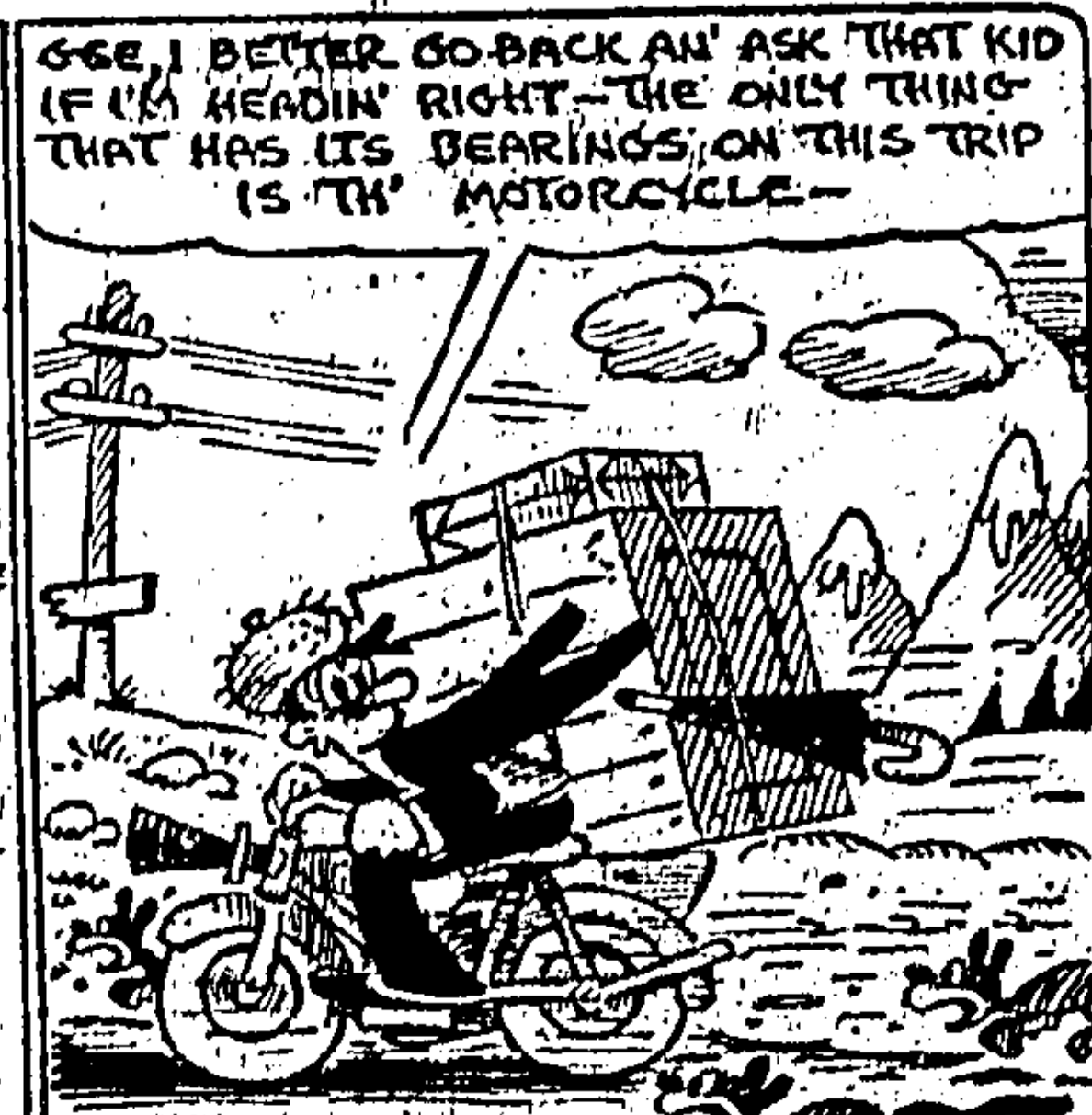
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U. S. A. (San Francisco 16th Nov.)	President van Buren	December 14.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Sulsang	December 15.
Europe via Negapatam (papers only)	Bingo Maru	December 15.
London 14th Nov.	President Lincoln	December 15.
Manila	Emps. of Asia	December 16.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 20th Nov.)	Taiyo Maru	December 16.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pros. Cleveland	December 16.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 22nd Nov.)	Aki Maru	December 16.
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Japan and Shanghai	Manila Maru	December 23.
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Bangkok	Hatchon, Fri., Dec. 13, 4.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong, Fri., Dec. 13, 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hakone Maru, Sat., Dec. 14, 8.30 a.m.
	K. P. O.
	Registration Dec. 13, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters Dec. 14, 9 a.m.
	G. P. O.
	Registration Dec. 14, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters Dec. 14, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 12th January, 1930.)

Hollow, Pakhoi and Haiphong and Wuchow via Pakhoi	Chengtu, Sat., Dec. 14, 8.30 a.m.
Japan and Victoria B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Teucer, Sat., Dec. 14, 8.45 a.m.
	Registration Dec. 14, 10.30 a.m.
	Letters Dec. 15, 1 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C. 8th Jan. 1930.)
Straits and Calcutta	Takliwa, Sat., Dec. 14, noon
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Amoy	Anking, Sat., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. van Buren, Sat., Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Luchow, Sun., Dec. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Hollow, Pakhoi, Haiphong and Wuchow via Pakhoi	Linchow, Sun., Dec. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kingyuan, Sun., Dec. 15, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru, Sun., Dec. 15, 9 a.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South American and Europe via San Francisco	Hydrangea, Tues., Dec. 16, 2.30 p.m.
	President Lincoln, Mon., Dec. 16, 3 p.m.
	Parcels Dec. 16, 4.15 p.m.
	Registration Dec. 16, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco 8th January.)
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President Lincoln, Mon., Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
	Registration Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
	Letters Dec. 16, 6 p.m.
	Chip Shing, Mon., Dec. 16, 5 p.m.

Foochow and Weihaiwei	Changto, Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Parcels Dec. 17, 9.45 a.m.
	Registration Dec. 17, 10.30 a.m.
	Letters Dec. 17, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 28th Dec.)
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang, Tues., Dec. 17, 1 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland, Tues., Dec. 17, 4.30 p.m.
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	(Due Marseilles 17th January, 1930.)
Swatow	Kwai Sang, Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Emps. of Asia, Wed., Dec. 18, 5 p.m.
	Parcels Dec. 18, 9.15 a.m.
	Registration Dec. 18, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters Dec. 18, 10 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C. 4th Jan. 1930.)
Hollow	Kwangchow, Wed., Dec. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Namsang, Wed., Dec. 18, noon
	Parcels Dec. 18, 1 p.m.
	Letters Dec. 18, 2.30 a.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Kueichow, Fri., Dec. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Malwa, Sat., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
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	Letters Dec. 21, 10.30 a.m.
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Foochow and Weihaiwei	Cheong Shing, Sat., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
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Paquin fashions, one of his short evening coats (left) of smart orange and gold metal moire with a circular blouse and crushed collar of the fabric. Henri Bendel's short evening coat (right) is of rose, green and gold broadened lame, heavily furred in kolinsky.

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Being in Love.

MODERN INFATUATIONS SELDOM END IN ROMANCE.

Hard and cynical, incapable of steady affection; intolerant of tradition. These are familiar epithets hurled at the present generation, the just-grown-ups. But the worst crime of all, in the eyes of the average middle-aged acquirer, is that they refuse to spell love with a capital L and to wrap it in the cotton-wool of mysticism and idealism.

Being "In Love" is Different. This is at once true and utterly untrue. The younger generation do believe in love with a capital L; they are always hoping for it. The difference between them and their elders is simply that they realise that love comes only to a very few people, and that the majority merely experience the state of being "in love." "Do you love me?" is always on the lips of those "in love." "I love you" is seldom uttered. Loving is different. When you love you are, whether man or woman, protecting, not possessive. Love sees the faults of a beloved one, but sees more than compensating virtues.

Why They Laugh. Youth cannot but know, in these days when reticence is an almost forgotten quality, that being in love leads to hasty, impetuous engagements, unhappy marriages, or troubled entanglements. That is why young people laugh at love, as a frightened child will sing in the dark to show it is not afraid; why an engagement of a year or six months is considered a long one, while an "understanding" is crystallised into a definite "a marriage has been arranged" just long enough before the date to allow relatives and friends to do the necessary wedding shopping. How can we ex-

Men's Rights.

Man has not lost much time in settling in motion machinery for safeguarding his interests in the women's movement towards equality.

An International Congress of the World's League for the Rights of Man is to be held shortly at Vienna, and it is understood that attention will be directed to what the promoters consider "one of the greatest faults of our civilisation, the injustice to man."

It will be interesting to see what line the men will take. So far as the few cases, where the law still favours the woman, are concerned, I do not believe that any fight will be necessary at all, for one of the strongest principles held by the women's parties is that both sides shall give up privileges, and that each shall have their rights. But surely men have little to fear, for even if, theoretically, all privileges are given up, will men not enjoy superior prestige in very many directions for years and years to come, arising solely out of the fact that they are men?—E. W. In Exchange.

pect, we of the older generation, that the younger people will have our early happy faith that our marriages were made in heaven?

Expecting Too Little

If the younger generation are to be blamed perhaps it should be for expecting too little of their romances. Their elders cannot comfort them by explaining that the past generation suffered in the same way and a large proportion of them emerged triumphantly. The younger generation have all made up their minds that none of the experiences of their elders is likely to be of the slightest use to them.

So it is that being in love does not so often ripen into loving as it used to do.—J. W. L. In Exchange.

Elaborate Footwear.

SMART SHOES SEEN ON THE RIVIERA.

On the Riviera last season, women's feet were very plainly shod, but this season their shoes for afternoon and evening will rival their jewels for effect, while each pair will have a handbag to match.

Their frocks, on the other hand, will probably be made of plain materials instead of printed, and as simple as possible in appearance, if not in cut.

Tinted kid and suede are extremely popular for the new afternoon shoes. One of the latest models, with a back made of silver kid, has a vamp of suede sprayed with leather leaves in pastel shades, and the heel covered in a design in silvered metal. Others are perforated to show a coloured lining. In fact, like the modistes, the bootier is breaking away from unimaginative designs, and is offering his clients more elaborate models than have been seen for years.

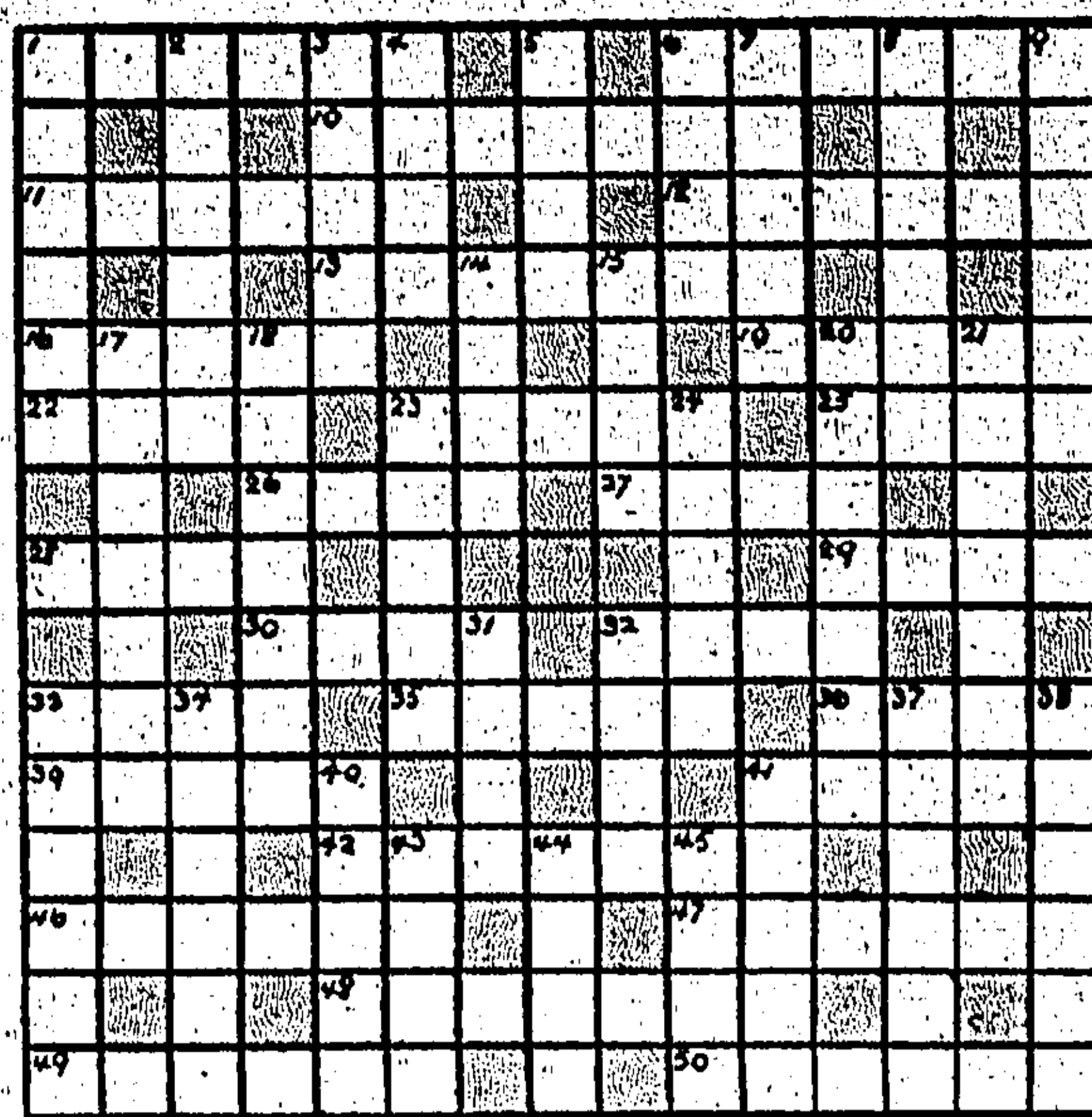
Transparent Capes.

The fashion of transparent capes, reaching as far as the waist, and covering the shoulders, is a very good fashion for young girls whose upper arms and back are inclined to be too pink and plump.

Any number of chiffon day and evening dresses this season have little capes at the back of the corage, that reach just to the waistline, and are edged with frills of the same material.

Sometimes these capes are tied with ribbons of the same chiffon in front of the bodice, while others are attached to the shoulders, and simply hang down at the back. These capes give one the impression that they are about to take the place of the boleros.

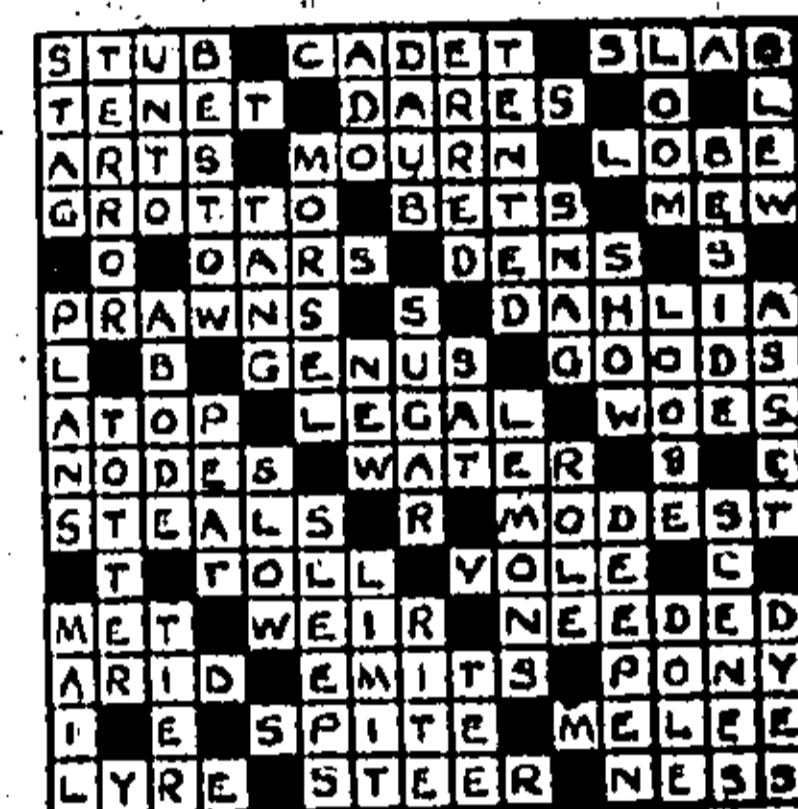
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35 Stiff.
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39 Woman affecting reserve.
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46 Rubbish.
47 Entry.
48 Rings.
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AUSTRALIAN OPPOSITION SCORES FIRST SUCCESS.

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The Government has been de-

feated in the Senate, which has adopted by 17 votes to 6 an opposition amendment to the Commonwealth Banking Bill, whereby the clause relating to the ban on gold exporting should be enforced only until December 30, 1930.—Reuter.

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MARRIAGE.

PERRIN—DAVIS.—On December 7th, 1929, at Singapore, Norman J. Perrin to Phyllis Mary Davis.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY DEC. 13, 1929.

THE ANTI-PIRACY GUARDS.

Locally, and throughout the whole China coast region, there will be unanimous agreement with Lord Incheque in his suggestion that the authorities should reverse their decision to withdraw the anti-piracy guards from British ships as from the beginning of April next. Indeed, so far from the system being abolished, we should like to see it extended so as to cover the whole of the principal danger zone. Within the space of about three months, the Bias Bay gang have made attacks on two vessels, a fact which demonstrates that the danger still exists. In the case of the Haiching, the venture miserably failed, but the setting fire to the vessel showed to what lengths these desperadoes are prepared to go. Of the value of military guards, there can be no question, for, since they have been employed, no vessel to which they have been allocated has suffered a piratical attack. Knowing how well the Bias Bay ruffians are organised, and how excellent their intelligence service is, we may take it for granted that they know the vessels which carry these guards: a circumstance which probably explains why the pirates have left these particular boats severely alone. Equally, we may assume that if the guards are withdrawn as from April, the pirate organisation will become well acquainted with the fact, in which event the immunity so far enjoyed is not likely to last very long after the abolition of the system.

So far as we understand, the position, the decision to withdraw the guards has been made by the Home authorities. The system, we believe, was originally introduced on instructions from the Home Government, and it is by that Government's orders that it is to be terminated. It is said that the decision has been made on the score of economy, although precisely what expense the operation of the system implies we cannot see. In any event, even assuming that some cost is involved, there is no justification whatever

for the change in policy. It may be, of course, that the military authorities do not view with favour a system which takes men from their regular duties, but we do suggest that, whilst so employed, these guards are performing a very vital function in the protection of life and property, which is the primary reason why we have any troops in the Far East at all. So far from seeing the system scrapped, we would that it were possible to extend its operation to other ships in the pirate zone. For this purpose, perhaps the numerical strength of the guards allotted to each ship at present served could be reduced, but a larger total spread over more vessels. Whatever the solution, we feel that it is incumbent on the shipping interests of the Colony to make prompt and strong representations on the subject both to the Hongkong and Home Governments.

Of the necessity for some form of protection for ships running within the pirate zone, there can not be the slightest question. That such precautions should be necessary only serves to illustrate the fact that the Chinese authorities are quite unable to guarantee protection either to their own people or to foreigners. The Bias Bay gang has for all too long very largely had its own way, and it will continue to be a menace to shipping until steps are taken either to rout out these freebooters from their stronghold or to impose some real authority on the region in which they have their headquarters. What is obviously needed is a permanent garrison in the district, with an effective wireless plant in operation. It is no solution of the problem merely to station men there for a few months and then withdraw them because of internal strife elsewhere. But so long as unrest continues in China, this chopping and changing seems more or less inevitable. As, therefore, there is small prospect of settled conditions in China for a very long period, we consider that it would be inviting trouble to abolish this system of special guards which has proved its worth up to the hilt.

Lord Lloyd on Egypt.

Any lingering doubts regarding the justice of the "dismissal" of Lord Lloyd by the MacDonald Administration have been removed by the ex-High Commissioner in Egypt himself. His speech in the House of Lords on Wednesday, contributed to the debate on Lord Salisbury's motion of censure on the British policy in Egypt, places him at once a "die-hard" interested in the policies of the old school of thought to an extent which would have rendered it impossible for him, in fairness to himself, to administer the policy of the Labour Administration. His lordship obviously belongs to that class of public servant which would, if permitted, hamper a more open-hearted treatment of such problems as are presented by Egypt, in the sincere belief that the old policy was the right one, and that the Conservative Party will at some time or other return to power and endorse it. To some extent, indeed, Lord Lloyd goes farther than that. He advocated a policy in Egypt, which, as stated by Earl Grey, the famous old Liberal leader, is keenly opposed both to the Conservative Declaration of 1922, and to the Chamberlain policy. If Lord Lloyd had his way, Egypt would feel the British imprint upon her every step to a much greater extent than obtains even to-day long before the likelihood of Mr. Henderson's conciliatory attitude bearing fruit. British control of every Egyptian institution would be tightened rather than slackened. Fully convinced that the country would benefit by British supervision in all spheres, he is prepared to invite an attitude of thinly veiled hostility in every transaction between the British and Egyptian Governments. Of Egypt's claim to independence, he takes no account. Mr. Henderson invited him to resign, therefore, on the ground that the views of the Government and of the High Commissioner would be quite out of harmony. Lord Lloyd, in proving this to be a fact could not have been more emphatic. His complete inability to bridge the gulf between Cromer and Milner provides all the vindication needed by Mr. Henderson.

DAY BY DAY.

THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL IS OUR BELIEF THAT OTHER PEOPLE ARE NOT AS CLEVER AS OURSELVES.—Florence Farr.

Three further Chinese cases of small-pox were notified yesterday.

The inaugural ceremonies in connexion with the Chinese Doctors' Association are to take place at the Lee Gardens at noon on Sunday.

On a charge of larceny of a copper ship's fixings from the Kowloon Dock, a former employee who was dismissed some five months ago, was fined \$10 or fourteen days' hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

HAICHING PIRACY PICTURES.

In "Telegraph" Supplement To-Morrow.

A feature of to-morrow's Pictorial Supplement will be quite a number of photographs taken in connexion with the attempted piracy of the s.s. Haiching. Besides a picture of the damaged ship alongside her wharf, there will be illustrations of the damage done by the fire on board, as well as a group of Captain Farrar and officers amidst the ruined part of the vessel. There will also be pictures of the funeral of the late Mr. K.A. Woodward.

In addition, the Supplement will contain the usual varied selection of pictures of topical events, including the wedding of Mr. H. Owen Hughes and Miss Onkley, and of Mr. H.A. Settle and Miss Carruthers. Other pictures will include the Somerset L.I. football team, group of those attending the Scottish Ball at Shamen, and a portrait of the Rev. E. A. Armstrong, the new assistant chaplain at St. Andrew's Church.

We are asked to make known the fact that owing to a misprint, the tickets for to-night's dress rehearsal of "The Gelsin," which Service men are attending, have the wrong time. The show will commence at 9.30, and not 8.30, as stated on the tickets.

Mr. J. E. Malarky, formerly sales manager of Belge Neonlite Co., of Shanghai, arrived in Hongkong by the Empress of Asia to take up the same position with China Neonlite, Ltd. of 68, Queen's Road, Central. Mr. Malarky has had long experience in the installation of Neonlite illuminated signs.

On the eve of the departure of H.M. R.F.A. Peary Leaf for Singapore on Thursday, her captain, Mr. E. R. Elshy, had to be removed to the Naval Hospital for treatment for bronchitis. Captain E. Parker, of H.M. R.F.A. Belgol, was hurriedly transferred to the Peary Leaf and the ship sailed after only a few hours' delay. Mr. W. McEver, Chief Officer of the Belgol, assumes command of that ship until the return of the Peary Leaf on or about December 29.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for week ended December 12th, 1908.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 8½d.

Whilst out shooting near Tai-po, Mr. E. R. Hallifax received an injury to his hand when his gun accidentally discharged.

Mr. (now Sir) Cecil Clementi was nominated as the representative of Hongkong to assist the British delegates to the International Opium Conference at Shanghai.

The new N.Y.K. liner Hirano Maru was placed on the European run.

A heated debate took place in the Legislative Council on a suggested clause in the Magistrates Ordinance seeking to prevent splitting in public places. The clause was eventually withdrawn, a suggestion being adopted that the Sanitary Department issue posters on the matter. If after six months this was found effective, it was stated that no further action would be needed.

CANON STREETER'S LECTURE.

INTERESTING TALK ON KYOTO CONFERENCE.

Impressions gained at the Pacific Relations Conference recently concluded at Kyoto, and a suggestion that groups of people be formed of various nationalities in Hongkong for the purpose of frankly considering and discussing problems, were contained in a highly interesting address which was delivered in the Great Hall of the University yesterday evening by Canon B. H. Streeter, D.D., and Fellow of the British Academy. Canon Streeter stressed the necessity for educating public opinion in order to avoid war, and described how matters of contention were discussed without antagonism at the recent Conference.

The speaker was introduced by Professor L. Forster. The meeting was promoted by the University Christian Association, of which the President is Mr. S. V. Boxer, Warden of Morrison Hall.

Speaking of Hongkong, Canon Streeter said if an impression was to be made on public opinion of great nations, it was not sufficient to have a limited number of people meeting once in two years. There had also to be, wherever possible, local discussions. It seemed to him that Hongkong was a place where such discussions by local groups of men and women, not necessarily one group, but possibly groups of students and groups of senior people, would do much good. It was possible in such a place as Hongkong to get people of all nationalities together, and it should be possible to meet from time to time and discuss with absolute frankness questions, political and economic, which had a bearing on international relations, and thus to form a local public opinion. After all, public opinion in Hongkong was a thing which directly or indirectly might affect politics of more than one nation. There were people from all nations living in the Colony, and they also had academic institutions. On questions of cultural relations and the issues involved there must be people who could speak with knowledge and understanding. Obviously, of course, economic questions of the Pacific were as well understood in Hongkong as anywhere else.

A further reason why he thought the people of Hongkong should try and form groups was because they could have groups of more than two nations. There were questions in which the Chinese and Japanese agreed against the British and America, and other questions in which Chinese and Japanese would differ, and so on. It was not, however, sufficient to have two groups. There must be four such groups at least.

Yet another reason why he suggested the idea was because at the Kyoto conference, the Chinese delegate had issued an invitation that the next meeting should be held in China, probably Peking or Hangchow. If there was going to be a meeting in China to discuss matters in the form they would then have assumed, it seemed to him that well-informed people and men of goodwill in Hongkong ought to be prepared to see that some kind of contribution came from this great centre.

The questions in the main were international relations in the sense of prevention of war and economic problems, and all questions of nations' cultures, art and the like. They wished to stop war, not because it was inconvenient or that it meant loss of life and money, but because it was really fundamentally wrong that humanity should not realise itself as being potentially something in the nature of a brother. The more they went to each other with goodwill the more they made it possible for friendship and understanding to overcome barriers of race and nationality. The overcoming of that was itself worth while, not merely worth while, but perhaps the thing that was most supremely worth while. He thought that persons of education, persons who really had knowledge of how economic and political things were managed, should take the lead in efforts to bring about a greater and more real comprehension between nations.

The meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks to the speaker by Mr. Boxer.

To-night at St. John's Hall of the University, Canon Streeter will speak on "The Conflict between Religion and Science" which will be followed by informal discussions. The meeting which is timed to commence at 8.30, is open to students of the Colony for whom it is specially meant.

Among the passengers who arrived yesterday by the s.s. Antenor were Capt. H. P. Bloxham, Mrs. N. V. A. Croucher, Mr. G. E. Ellams, Mr. F. Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. King, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Griet, Mr. R. W. Lee-Jones, Mr. T. Ramsay, Mrs. W. T. Southorn, Mr. M. H. Turner, Mr. C. F. Young, Mr. F. C. Clemo and Capt. Ellis Walker.

The Very Idea!

Little Betty was busy with a home-lesson, and her mother, looking over the child's shoulder, saw she had written, "King John was a very wicked king. He was always killing people with his motor-cars."

"But, dear," mother said, "that isn't right. There were no motor-cars in those days."

"Well, mother," Betty replied, "it says in my history book that 'King John ground the people down with taxis!'"

Woman at Penge—I have heard him use naturally bad language. Kingston defendant—I do not always hope to be out of employment.

Clerk at Tottenham—Did you see the assault? Woman witness—No, but they say I did.

Derby defendant—This is the first time I have been caught. Magistrate—That is a candid confession.

Woman at Tottenham—I did not hit her. I should have done if she had not moved when my arm shot out.

Constable at the Thames Court—When I arrested the prisoner for disorderly conduct he said, "George Lansbury himself could not stop me from shouting."

Here are some epitaphs from a Home paper:

On a Motorist.
Tread gently, traveller, as you pass.
Or you may haply wake
A simp who trod upon the gas.
While fumbling for the brake.

On a Pedestrian.
For one untimely smitten mourn
For, pondering his own concerns,
Crossing the road he crossed the
bourn
From which no traveller returns.

On an "Advanced" Novelist.
Here lies poor Blank, who, many
deem,
Polluted literature's stream;
But though the nuisance is
abated,
His works, alas! were not
cremated.

On a Neo-Georgian Poet.
Nor rhyme nor reason e'er could
he
With all his travail bring to
birth;
But since his verse was always
free
At least he knew its proper
world.

"Sad about Tomkitts dying from music on the brain, wasn't it. Overstudy, I suppose?" "Oh, no, a man hit him on the head with a trombone."

Some degree of intelligence is needed to understand the weather. —Sir Napier Shaw.

I am glad to be alive, because it is such fun. —Miss May Edginton.

All through life it is a matter of choosing the lesser of two evils. —Mr. Hilaire Belloc.

Refuse to mould a child just as you would refuse to paint a lily. —Mr. A. S. Neill.

Children do not always draw a man and woman closer; sometimes they come between them. —Mrs. Ethel Mamin.

When men make a great deal of money, they become dissatisfied with continuing to do the useful things they were doing, and want to get into something they know nothing about. —Mr. Henry Ford.

WHO WAS...

ELIA?

Elia, of course, was none other than Charles Lamb, gentlest and most delightful of all our English essayists.

There was much tragedy in Lamb's life. His sister Mary, to whom he was passionately devoted, turned insane and murdered her mother with a carving-knife. Lamb, therefore, devoted the rest of his life to the care of his sister, collaborating with her during the quiet period, and gently leading her back to the asylum whenever the insanity showed signs of returning.

It was on account of Mary that Lamb never married, although he was passionately fond of children, and would have made an ideal family man. He never allowed himself to become embittered, lovable fellow that he was, and despite the ever present menace of Mary's madness, his life was full of mellow charm and tranquillity. "Elia" was a singularly blameless life, even though the pride may object that he was known at times to take a drop too much liquor—a weakness to which he himself confessed in a singularly moving essay.

If you have not already read "The Essays of Elia," then pray do not lose any time, but get a copy at once. It will cheer many a dull evening, and be your comforter and friend for the rest of your life.

FORMER WHAMPOA CADET.**CONVICTED OF THEFT OF JEWELLERY.****ROBBERY IN HOTEL.**

Describing himself as a student of the Whampoa Academy, holding a commissioned rank and latterly engaged as private secretary to a former Magistrate of the Po On District, as well as secretary to the Superintendent of the Canton Police, a Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of the theft of a quantity of jewellery worth \$210, the property of a resident of the Kum Toi Hotel in Nathan Road.

The first defendant, who appeared together with another man, admitted the theft and stated that the second defendant had nothing whatever to do with it.

The second defendant, denied all knowledge of the theft and, on the prosecution accepting his plea, he was discharged.

Detective Inspector Fallon, who prosecuted, said the complainant, who was an actor manager, had taken a room at the Kum Toi Hotel, while the defendant, together with the man discharged, occupied the adjoining room. Early yesterday morning, the complainant had occasion to leave his room, and, on returning some time afterwards, he saw the shadow of a man inside. On entering the room, he saw the defendant behind the door. He then missed his jewellery, which he had left on the table under a handkerchief. The defendant was handed over to the Hotel authorities and then taken to the Police Station.

The man, who was discharged, was also arrested when he returned to his room.

Too Greedy.

Continuing, the prosecuting officer said there had been nothing found on the defendant, but later when the police visited the Hotel they found the missing articles in the defendant's jacket in his own room. He had apparently made two trips. If he had not been "too greedy" he might have got away with the jewellery.

The two men had only taken the room the previous night, and, when arrested, were found to have no money on them. They had not yet paid for the bed and it appeared as if the Hotel management would have to go without payment.

The defendant, in a statement, said he was formerly a student in the Whampoa Academy and later graduated as a Lieutenant, after having held the rank of a petty officer. He then went to Shanghai as private secretary to Cheng Kai-chung, the former Magistrate of the Po On District. He was at one time private secretary to An Yeung-ku, the Superintendent of the Canton Police.

Marriage Arranged.

Recently he had received a letter from his people in the country notifying him of his engagement and forthcoming wedding, which they had arranged for him. He had arrived from Shanghai with only a limited supply of money and had stolen the jewellery to enable him to return to the country.

His Worship intimated that he could surely have raised a few dollars to take him back to Canton. The defendant said he did not want to go to Canton because of the fighting, but wanted to return to his own country.

His Worship remarked that he would have thought the defendant, being such a talented man, would want to return to Canton to the front to distinguish himself.

In imposing sentence of two months' hard labour, his Worship remarked that he was afraid the defendant's marriage would have to be put off.

FOREMAN LEAVES \$81,500.**TWO OTHERS ESTATES DEALT WITH.**

Local estate worth \$81,500 was left by Fung-Poo (or Pu), who died intestate at No. 182, Wanchai Road, on January 29, 1929. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Fung Leung-shi, living at the address given. Deceased was a foreman employed by the Kwong Sang Hong, Ltd., and is survived by six sons and four daughters, the youngest being three years of age and the eldest 17.

Estate of the estate of Wong Kam-chuen, late of Ngau Wan village, San Wui District, Kwangtung, who died on July 1, this year, leaving Hongkong estate to the value of \$20,200, has been granted to the widow, Wong Ching-shi, temporarily living at No. 1, Fat Hing Street. Everything is bequeathed to the widow.

Lam Yee-man, who died at Koon Tong village, Pun U District, Kwangtung, on May 19, 1929, left Hongkong estate worth \$4,100. Letters of administration have been granted to Lam Leung-shi, No. 21 Ship Street.

THE VOLUNTEERS.**ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.**

No. 50/20. Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commandant.

Hongkong, Dec. 12. 1. Camp attendance roles. Officers Commanding Units, Platoons, and Sections will please check their roles at the earliest possible date, at H. Q. in order to avoid any possible errors in compiling Pay Lists.

2. Musketry. The Engineer and Reserve Companies will fire Part 2 Table T. Rifle at Stonecutters Island on Sunday, 15th Dec. Range Officer Captain A. M. Thornhill. Dress, Musketry order, multi or uniform. Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

3. Casuals Musketry. All O. C. units will warn all those who have not fired part 2 Table T. Rifle to join the Musketry party above mentioned in order No. 2 on Sunday, 15th Dec. O. C. units will report by 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 18th Dec., whether they have any casualties to fire on Sunday, 22nd Dec., and if so how many.

4. Corps Band. There will be a full Band Practice at H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. sharp in multi on Tuesday, 17th Dec. All members of the Band are asked to make a special effort to be present.

5. The Battery. Dec. 13 to 15 Practice Camp at Tai Lam as previously notified. Transport will leave Kowloon Ferry Friday, 13th at 5.45 p.m. Dress—Tunic, shorts, great coats, helmet, puttees (tapes at the bottom) and bandolier.

6. Engineer Company. Thursday, Dec. 19, parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Miniature or Kennedy Road range, dress, multi. All members who have not completed their musketry Table T. will proceed to the Stonecutters Range on Sunday, Dec. 15. Dress, Musketry order, uniform or multi optional.

7. Corps Signals. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, December 19 for Signal Training. Dress—Multi.

8. Armoured Car Company. Car Section, Parade at Headquarters on Friday 13th at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Motor Cycle Section, Parade at Headquarters on Friday 13th at 5.30 p.m. for Instructional Ride.

9. Machine Gun Company. Parade in multi at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Tuesday, 17th Dec. for M. G. Training.

10. Scottish Company. Parades Thursday, 19th Dec. 1929. Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Lieut. H. R. Forsyth Squad drill with arms, bells and frogs will be worn. No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E.

11. Portuguese Company. Company Parades. The Company will parade at Headquarters on Friday, Dec. 20 at 5.30 p.m. for Platoon Training.

This will be the last parade this year and it is hoped that everyone will do their best to attend.

There are quite a number who have not as yet attended the necessary number of drills this season. Those concerned should make every endeavour to do so in the near future. The next Company Parade will be held at Headquarters on Friday, January 3rd, 1930, when everyone is expected to attend.

Recruits. It is most essential that all Recruits should attend all possible parades. Rifles. All ranks are reminded that all Rifles and Bayonets properly cleaned, should be returned to Corps Stores by Friday, December 13, 1929.

12. Result of Machine Gun Field Firing Competition.

No. 6 Platoon, Sgt. Cathill 43½ Pts.

A. C. Section, C.S.M. Wilson 33 Pts.

No. 2 Platoon, Sgt. Urquhart 26½ Pts.

M. G. Section, L/Sgt. Rogers 23½ Pts.

No. 1 Platoon, Lieut. Penn 21 Pts.

No. 2 Platoon, Cpl. Edgar 13 Pts.

M. G. Troop, Lieut. Potts 7 Pts.

The Commandant congratulates all ranks of No. 6 Platoon on again winning the competition; their fine performance demonstrated a great advance in training.

13. Transfer. No. 904 Cpl. H. V. Parker is transferred from No. 1 Platoon to Reserve Company as from date.

14. Reversion. No. 904 Cpl. H. V. Parker, No. 1 Platoon, reverts to the ranks at his own request.

15. Resignation. The following is permitted to resign from the Corps, No. 894 L/Bdr. A. R. J. White, The Battery, as from 12. 12. 29.

16. Leave. No. 944 Sigm. A. E. Coates, Corps Signals, from 1st Dec. to 31st Dec. 1929. Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes, No. 4 Platoon, from 15. 11. 29 to 31. 12. 29. No. 1343 Pte. V. W. L. Stanlon, No. 1 Platoon from 20. 11. 29 to 19. 11. 30.

17. Promotion. No. 1420 L/Cpl. G. E. R. Divett, No. 1 Platoon, to be Corporal from date.

R. A. WOLFE-MURRAY, MAJOR, ADJUTANT, H.K.V.D. CORPS.

Notice.

Christmas Cards are on sale in the Officers' and Sergeants Mess and Canton at 40 cents each.

THIEF'S VERY BAD RECORD.**POLICE SUPERVISION FOR TWO YEARS.**

A record which was described as being very bad was produced against a Chinese who appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of theft of a metal watch and chain belonging to a visitor to a house in Temple Street. The defendant was stated to have had four previous convictions for larceny.

It was stated by Detective Sergeant Fowle that the watch was reported stolen on December 5 last, and, following enquiries, it was recovered from a pawnshop. The defendant was arrested on Wednesday and was identified as the man who pawned the watch, which had been taken from the complainant's jacket pocket in a cubicle.

Intimating that of the four convictions, the defendant had last year been given six months' hard labour for larceny, his Worship sentenced the defendant to four months' imprisonment and ordered him to be placed under police supervision for a period of two years.

KOWLOON TONG THEFTS.**CHINESE CAUGHT CUTTING VEGETABLES.**

Two young Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of theft of 70 cabbages of green vegetables from a garden in Kowloon Tong and on two counts of stealing baskets from other gardeners.

According to the police, three men were caught in the act of cutting vegetables in a garden, but when the alarm was raised they ran away, one of them being caught by an Indian constable. A second was arrested the following day. It was found that the three men had previously stolen three baskets from two other gardeners before they had gone to cut the vegetables.

Remarking that he would not have people cutting gardeners' crops in that manner, his Worship passed sentence of one month's hard labour on the first charge, three weeks on the second and two weeks on the third, the terms to run consecutively.

BACK TWICE WITHIN A YEAR.**BANISHMENT SENTENCED TO BIRCHING.**

For the second time, within a year, a Chinese who was banished for a period of ten years in September, 1928, disobeyed the deportation order and returned to the Colony. He was taken before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and sentenced to eight months' hard labour and 15 strokes of the birch.

Reading from the defendant's criminal record, his Worship said that last year he had been sentenced on two occasions for stealing and in April last he was imprisoned after having been deported in September last year.

The defendant remarked that he had returned to take his wife to Macao.

BOY SCOUT EFFORT.**COMING-OF-AGE DISPLAY AT THEATRE.**

The Boy Scouts Association is holding a coming-of-age concert and display (under the distinguished patronage of H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) at the Theatre Royal on Saturday, 21st Inst.

Early in the year the Association had hopes of being able to stage an open-air spectacle, somewhat on the lines of the Jamboree held at Arrow Park in August. Owing to transport difficulties and the fact that a suitable ground could not be found, together with the question of finance, it was later decided to hold an indoor show, to let the public see a few of the things the Scouts practise in their spare time.

The main object of the concert is to raise funds to complete the purchase of a new training centre at Saiwan Bay. This training centre fills a long-delayed necessity, for the production of all that is best in Scouting.

A fairly varied programme has been arranged by the Groups, showing the lighter side of Sea Scout work in the form of Sea Shanties, etc., other Groups contributing Scouting items.

The second half of the programme will be a combined effort, in the form of the play, "Robin Hood." Much difficulty has been experienced during the course of rehearsing this play, partly owing to the language difficulty, and partly to other unavoidable reasons, but it can safely be said that a very creditable show will be the outcome.

CARRYING FOWLS BY THE WINGS.**OFFENDER'S EXCUSE AT KOWLOON.**

A Chinese who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with causing cruelty to two chickens admitted that when arrested he was carrying them by the legs, with their heads hanging downwards. He said, however, that he had been carrying them properly but they had suddenly dropped, and were thus temporarily suspended by their legs.

His Worship remarked that the best plan for carrying chickens was to put them in a small shallow basket.

A fine of \$2 was imposed. Another man who was charged with cruelty to a duck by carrying it by the wings was fined \$5.

MR. KWOK SUI-LAU.**GIFT TO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME.**

Mr. Kwok Sui-lau whose name is a household word as a gentleman ranking in the forefront of Chinese philanthropists, has given further evidence of his keen interest in and sympathy with any work which is being done for the general welfare of all classes of people in the Colony, by a splendid gift of \$500.00 to the New Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Wanchai, for providing Wireless Equipment in the Institution for the benefit of British Sailors and Soldiers. It is with very grateful appreciation this gift is acknowledged and it comes as a mark of Mr. Kwok's sincere and friendly relationship with all our Service friends.

ARMED ROBBERY SEQUEL.**CHARGE REDUCED TO ONE OF ARMS POSSESSION.****FOUR-YEAR SENTENCE.**

Events in the prosecution of four Chinese in connexion with the armed robbery which took place at 102, Wellington Street, recently, when Shu Chun, a pork dealer, was robbed of \$296 in money and jewellery, took an unexpected turn yesterday afternoon, when Inspector Shannon asked the permission of Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, to withdraw the charges against the defendants, of being concerned together in the armed robbery, and to substitute a count of unlawful possession of arms.

Evidence was given by the police that the four defendants were found in two different houses in First and Second Streets at West Point, whilst loaded revolvers were discovered hidden in Bridges Street, which is adjacent to the Central Police Station.

Major Willson sat with Mr. Hamilton, and they found the defendants guilty and sentenced them each to four years' hard labour.

It was stated that the money and jewellery had been recovered.

LOCAL RADIO.**DUAL TRANSMISSIONS FROM ZBW.**

There will be a further interesting development in local broadcasting to-day when ZBW, will transmit on both a short and long wavelength. Listeners are asked to report on the reception of the short wave transmission, which will be on 49 metres and which will be used simultaneously with the 355 metre wavelength during all programmes excepting the evening one, when it will not be used until 9.30 p.m.

The complete programme for to-day is as follows: 6.00-6.30 p.m. Programme of H. M. V. and Victor records supplied by the courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie. "Chal Romano Overture," (Ketelbey).

The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

"My Blue Heaven," (Whiting and Donaldson).

"Because I Love You," (Berlin).

Gracie Fields, Comedienne. "Always," (Irving Berlin).

"Just a Cottage Small," (By a Waterfall).

(B. G. De Sylva—James F. Hanley), Victor Salon Orchestra.

"At Dawning," (Charles Wakefield Cadman).

"The Waltzing Doll," (La Poupée Valsante) (Poldini), Victor Concert Orchestra.

"I kiss your hand, Madame—Tango," (Ralph Erwin—Fritz Rotter).

"Twilight—Tango," (Edouard Bianco).

Marck Weber and His Orchestra. 5.30-6.00 p.m. Aunt Joan, Uncle Dick and Uncle Jeff will entertain the kiddies.

6.00-7.00 p.m. Programme of Children's records.

7.45 p.m. Weather report.

8.00-10.30 p.m. Programme of H. M. V. and Victor records supplied by the courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie.

"The Desert Song,"—Vocal Gems, (Romberg).

"The Blue Mazurka,"—Vocal Gems, (Lehar).

Light Opera Company. "Caprice Viennoise," (Kreier).

"Humoresque," (Grove—Kreier).

"Idylle," (Edward Elgar).

"Evensong," (Easthope Martin), Herbert Dawson.

"Lo! Here the Gentle Lark," (Sir Henry R. Bishop).

"Solvejg's Song (Chanson Solvejg)," (Grieg).

"Dolores—Waltz," (Waldteufel).

"Moraima—Spanish Caprice," (M. Espinosa), Creatore's Band.

"How Beautiful upon the Mountains," (F. Flaxington Barker).

"The Holy City," (F. E. Weatherly—Stephen Adams).

"Carmen—Selection—Part 1, 2, 3 and 4," (Bizet).

"Beautiful Night—Waltz," (Offenbach).

"Spring Song—Waltz," (Mendelssohn).

International Concert Orchestra. "Santa Lucia Luntana (Santa Lucia, I long for you)," (E. A. Mario).

"Voce's Notel (Voice of the Night)," (C. O. Lardini—Ernesto de Curtis), Beniamino Gigli.

"La Boheme—Fantasia—Part 1 and 2," (Puccini), Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Ramona," (Wayne).

"Why does the Hyacinth Laugh," (Wood and Lang).

Gracie Fields, Comedienne. 10.30 p.m. Close down.

Sydney, Dec. 12.

A conference of lodge delegates at Newcastle has decided to recommend all sections of the mining industry to extend the coal dispute beyond the borders of New South Wales.

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THE LAI WAH CUP FINAL.

KEEN STRUGGLE EXPECTED
TO-MORROW.

TEAM SELECTIONS.

(By "Wanderer".)

Very little choice is open to the football fan to-morrow, but the Lai Wah Cup Final should be sufficiently interesting in itself. It is being fought out between the Army and the Civilians, one or the other of which has always won this particular trophy, and the main interest lies in whether the Civilians can prevent the Army from winning for the third successive season.

The fixture list follows:—

Lai Wah Cup Final.

Civilians v. Army.—Club, 3.30 p.m.
—Mr. Ness.

Junior League.

K.O.S.B. v. Eastern.—Sookunpoo, 2.30.
S. China "A" v. Chinese "B".—Caroline Hill, 2.30.
Ewe v. R.M.C.—Chinese, 2.30.
University v. S. China "B".—Navy, 2.30.
Recreio v. Club.—Recreio, 2.30.
Chinese "A" v. Navy.—Stadium, 2.30.
St. Joseph's v. Kowloon.—St. Joseph's, 2.30.

The Cup Final.

For reasons not difficult to follow, the Army will start favourites in the Cup Final to-morrow. Nevertheless, since Lai Wah Cup matches are traditionally productive of surprises, they will have to watch their step very carefully. In certain circumstances I should be inclined to favour the Civilians on this occasion; but it is necessary to know exactly how they will be represented before committing oneself. It may be taken for granted that the team will not turn out as originally selected, "Lolly" Goldman being one of the absentees. Why he was picked at all is rather puzzling. Goldman has made it perfectly clear, or so I imagined, that his interest in soccer has dwindled to nothing, and that he proposes to concentrate on rugby with a view to gaining his place in the rugby interport team.

There are other criticisms open, but since the selection is finished, no good purpose would be served in voicing them. The Civilians are not represented as strongly as they might be, but the team is good enough to make the Army go a very long way.

Team Selection.

While on the subject of team selection, it would not be amiss to refer to the Interport trials. Two have been played and hitherto they have not warranted comment. When a strong side was put into the field, the Chinese turned out a second eleven and the match into a farce. When a strong Navy eleven provided the opposition, the "Interports" fielded a forward line which would have done little credit to a team. No value, therefore, could be attached to either game. It may be suggested that the defence was tested against the Navy, but even this is highly problematical. The defenders, with poor forwards in front of them, lacked any inspiration to give of their best.

I was rather impressed a week or two ago on observing that the Interport selectors were apparently adopting new team-building methods. Since then they have, so to speak, rather fallen from grace.

The big problem before them is the composition of the forward line and nothing is to be gained by dwelling about. On the contrary, this will make the final selection much more difficult. Since it is certain that Goldman will not fill the centre forward position, it is seriously suggested that the selectors might discard all their previous ideas and start all over again. Juggling with the other players will not provide the solution. Bewley-Bull has been selected as centre-forward for Wednesday next. Bewley-Bull has many characteristics which single him out, but shooting is not one of them and it is altogether out of the question, to my mind, that he should be the Colony's pivot in attack.

Whether the selectors like it or not, it is fairly certain that A.V. Gosano will have to be moved from inside-right to his proper place

SHAMEEN TENNIS.

TOURNAMENT DRAWING TO
A CLOSE.

Shameen, Dec. 12.

Some of the Shameen Lawn Tennis Club's tournaments are now drawing to a close. The following are recent results:

Men's Championship Singles:—Mr. A. T. Lay has qualified for the finals by defeating Mr. G. W. Greene 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

The other finalist will be Mr. C. E. Watson who defeated Mr. J. Mareschal in the semi-finals by 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

In the Hong Doubles, the Shameen Municipal Council and the American Baptist Mission have reached the finals. The Shameen Municipal Council (Mr. C. E. Watson and Captain G. A. Clements) defeated Butterfield and Swire (Mr. Webb and Mr. H. G. Eales) 6-4, 6-4, in the semi-finals; whilst the American Baptist Mission (Mr. G. W. Greene and Mr. M. W. Rankin) defeated H. B. M. Consulate-General (Mr. G. S. Moss and Mr. A. A. L. Tuson) 7-5, 6-3, in the semi-finals.

The Mixed Handicap Doubles have also reached the finals, the following being the semi-final results:—Miss E. L. V. Hogg and Mr. H. G. Eales (scratch) defeated Mrs. R. Martell Hall and Mr. A. A. L. Tuson (30) 6-4, 6-4; Mrs. G. S. Moss and Mr. A. T. Lay (-40) defeated Mrs. A. A. L. Tuson and Mr. R. Martell Hall (scratch) 6-0, 6-0.—Our Own Correspondent.

LOCAL CRICKET.

THE K. C. C. TEAMS FOR
TO-MORROW.

The K. C. C. cricket teams for to-morrow are as under:

1st XI Friendly v I. R. C. at Kowloon.—W. Brace (Capt.), F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, N. H. Ross, E. P. Fincher, F. E. Lawrence, A. N. Oher, F. Zimmermann, A. T. Lee, D. Laing and A. E. Silkestone. Umpire, J. P. Robinson; scorer, A. Hyde-Lay.

2nd XI League v I. R. C. at Sookunpoo.—B. Petheram (Capt.), H. Overly, G. Lee, N. Mackay, F. S. W. Smith, A. R. F. Raven, S. Jex, A. A. Dand, O. B. Raven, J. J. Hirst and A. J. Kew. Umpire, A. W. Bliss; scorer, Capt. Lathwallo.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT THE
UNIVERSITY.

At King's Park yesterday the Y.M.C.A. were at home to a hockey side from the University, and the former won an exciting game by three goals to nil.

Goal scorers were Petherick, Ashton and Kearns.

At Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, a team from the Garrison Sergeants' Mess played the C. and P. O's of the Kent. The Sergeants' were some players short on arrival, and full teams could not be used. The P. O's lent three of their players to the Sergeants, who won by six goals to two.

At the close, owing to the mixing of the winning side, cheers were called for the "Winners," as they could not be called for the "Sergeants' Mess."

and a trial given to a new outside right if B. Gosano does not prove the right man without his brother. The younger Gosano hardly has the experience necessary or the confidence essential for Interport football.

The defence will look after itself. That is to say, if the long series of representative games due in the next three weeks or so does not produce definite indications of possible improvements.

The Army will be represented to-morrow as follows:—Fletcher, Oliver, Reeves; Everest, West, Joyce; Rayson, Stock, Gill, Bewley-Bull, Butcher.

The Club Reserves will be represented as follows:—Pankhurst, Sloan, Potouloff; Hynes, Ratton, Jackson, Dinneen, Bell, Fowler, Thompson, Wilson. Reserves: Hooper, Stirling.

Kowloon Reserves, who play St. Joseph's on the St. Joseph's ground, will be: Angus; Guest, Eastman, Hunt, Easterbrook, Dunnett; Philpott, King, Nicholls; Coates, Bickford. Reserves: Springett, Hannan, and Seddon.

The following team representing the Chinese Athletic will play the Royal Navy on Sunday: Chan Shek-pui, Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat; Ho Cho-ying, Wong Shui-wa, Lam Yuk-ying; Tso Kwai-sing, Ho Ka-keung, Wong Tak-chong, Suen Kam-shun and Chan Kwong-ul.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of (local) share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1330 s.
Chartered Bank, 419 b.
Mercantile A. & B., £307 n.
East Asia \$95 b.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$695 n.
Union Ins., \$357 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.

Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$2 n.
China Firs, \$310 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$315 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$251 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$264 b.
H. K. Tugs, \$2 s.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$70 n.

Union Waterboats \$22 n.
Mining.
Bonguets, \$470 b.

Kailans, 60/- n.
Langkots, Tls. 13.60 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 1.30 n.

Raubas, \$11.20 n.
Troncha, 21/- b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$145 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$321 b.
China Providents \$5.35 s.

Hongkows, Tls. 190 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 7.50 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.20 sa.
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 77 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$11.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$64 sa.

Shai Lands Tls. 161 n.
Humphreys, \$14.40 n.
Realities, \$7.90 b.

Chinese Estates \$98 s.
Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$181 s.

Peak Trams, (old) \$11.75 n.
Star Ferries, \$691 n.
China Lights, (Old) \$16.40 s.

H. K. Electric, \$65 s.
Macao Electric, \$23 b.
Telephones \$7.85 b.

China Buses, Tls. 154 b.
Singapore Tractions, 10/- s.
Industrials.

China Sugars, '90 n.
Malabons, \$27 n.
Cald: Macg. Ord: Tls. 11 n.

Canton Icos, \$2.50 n.
Comments (Comb.) \$12.70 b.
Ropos (Old) \$71 s.

United Asbestos \$5 b.
Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$211 n.

Watsons, \$12 s.
Der A. Wings, 80 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$1.75 n.

SCOTTISH CUP.

THE DRAW FOR THE FIRST
ROUND.

London, Dec. 12.
The Scottish Cup draw for the first round, to be played on January 18, is as follows:

Motherwell v East Stirling.
Arbroath v Galston.
Albion Rovers v Alloa.
Dunfermline Star v Partick.
St. Bernard's v Thirld Lanark.
Buckie Thistle v Falkirk.
Murrayfield Amateurs v Burntisland Shipyard.

Stranraer v Dundee United.
Inverness Caledonians v Celtic.
Dumbarton v Cowdenbeath.
Dunfermline v Morton.
Civil Services Strollers v Clackmannan.

Boness v St. Johnstone.
Mid Annandale v Ayr.
Airdrieonians v Dunfermline.
Hibernian v Leith Amateurs.
Hamilton v Stenhousemuir.
East Fife v Queen of South.

Clyde v Kelso.
Forfar v Brechin City.
Pithead v Vale of Leithen.
Royal Albert v Bertha.
Kings Park v Bathgate.
Nithsdale Wanderers v St. Andrews University.

Inverness Citadel v Armadale.
St. Culbert Wanderers v St. Mirren.
Queens Park v Glasgow Rangers.
Kilmarnock v Paisley Academicals.
Selway Star v Montrose.
Hearts v Clydebank.

Falkirk Amateurs v Leith Athletic.
Raith Rovers v Aberdeen.
—Reuter.

ROUGH WEATHER.

TSUGURA MARU PASSES
THROUGH STORM.

Arriving in port from Singapore at 7.30 a.m. to-day, the N.Y.K. freighter Tsugura Maru reports meeting with exceptionally bad weather during her voyage. Fortunately no damage was sustained by the vessel.

She left Singapore on December 6 and encountered heavy winds and seas the next day at about noon when she was at Lat. 4° 58' N. and Long 106° 41' E. This weather continued for over two days and it was not until she was at Lat. 10° 28' N. and Long 110° 37' E. on December 9 at 6 p.m. that there was any sign of a lull.

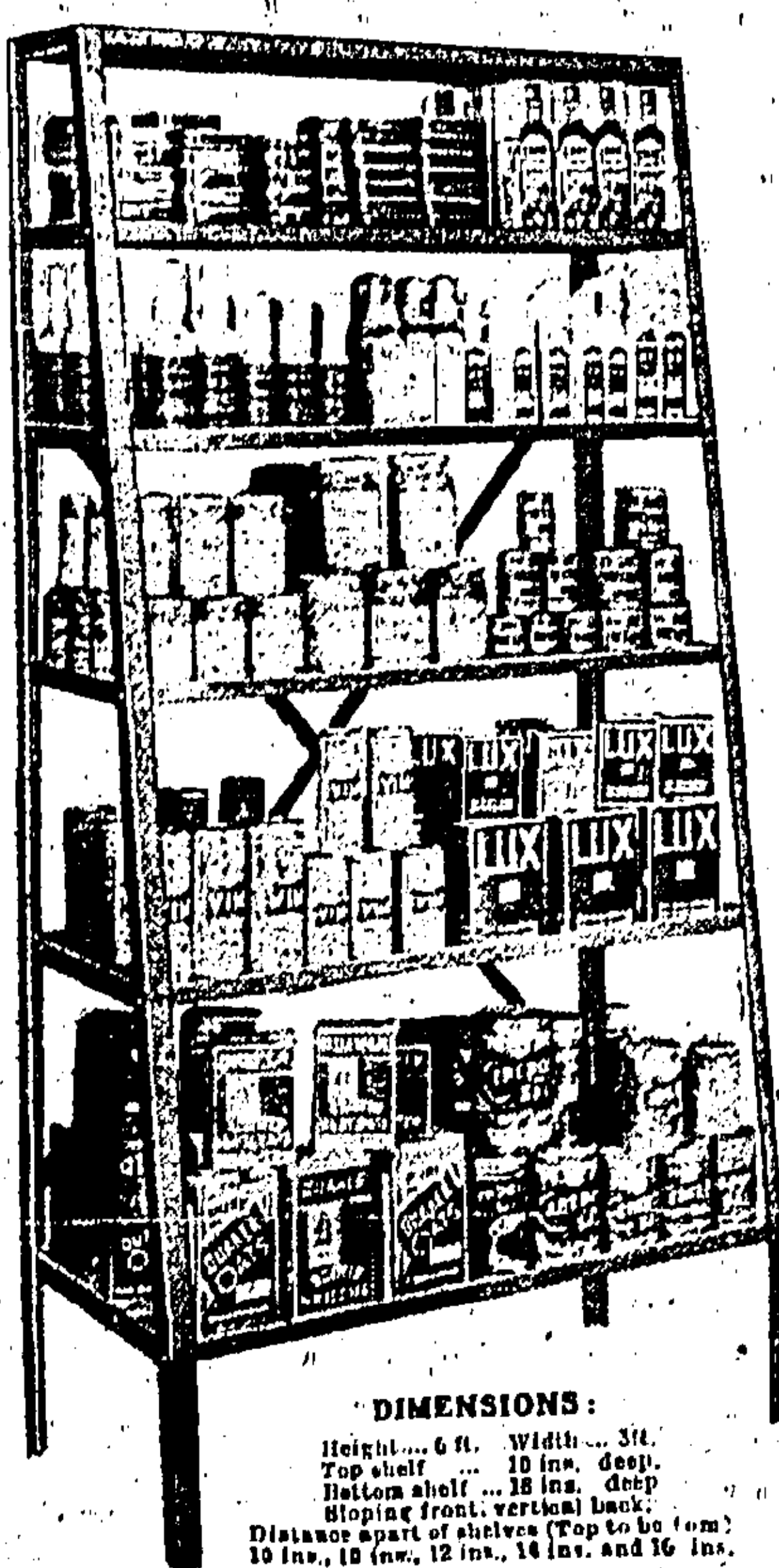
She continued on her way here, taking eight days for the trip. She is due to sail for Shanghai at 4 p.m. to-day.

Mackintoshes, \$18 b.
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ATHOS II.....	17th Dec.	ANGERS.....	18th Dec.
D'ARTAGNAN.....	31st Dec.	SPHINX.....	1st Jan.
ANGERS.....	14th Jan.	G. METZINGER.....	15th Jan.
SPHINX.....	28th Jan.	ANDRE LEBON.....	29th Jan.
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CONVICT MUTINY.

TROOPS GAIN UPPER HAND
AT AUBURN.

Auburn, Dec. 12.

The grim battle between troops with full war equipment and the convicts has ended, the troops shooting with machine-guns seven ringleaders in the south block before the remainder of the mutineers (four of whom were shot early in the fight) were rounded up and returned to the cells, and the revolt was quelled.

Governor Jennings, who survived almost certain death, interviewed in hospital to-day said the mutineers, believing they might bargain for freedom, put himself and seven other warder hostages in front of them, and slowly advanced into the great hall, "when suddenly, with astonishing bravery, a state trooper stepped into full range of their guns and threw a gas bomb." More followed, and in the ensuing melee the Governor escaped, after receiving a severe blow on the head.

The troops gained the upper hand, and the main body of convicts, numbering 1,560, who had been passive but restless, awaiting developments, have all now returned to their cells.—*Reuter's American Service.*

NEW LOCOMOTIVE.

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London, Dec. 12.

The largest and most powerful locomotive in Britain, constructed by the London and North-Eastern Railway, is now ready for its trials.

It is of unique design, the boiler being constructed to the extreme limit of railway gauge, leaving no room for the chimney to project above it. The chimney, therefore, has been sunk within the casing, and so arranged as to throw the smoke clear of the driver.

The locomotive has a boiler pressure of 450 pounds per square inch, which is the highest ever used for a British locomotive. The pressure hitherto used has been between 200 and 250 pounds, and the increase necessitates the use of boiler of the water-tube type, never in the past applied to a locomotive.—*British Wireless.*

JAPANESE COTTON.

SPINNERS ADOPT POLICY
OF CURTAILMENT.

Osaka, Dec. 12.

The general committee of the Cotton Spinners' Association decided to-day to curtail production of cotton yarn, and appointed a special committee to recommend the extent and method of curtailment by January 15.

Curtalement is considered necessary because of increased production of yarn in recent months and declining prices.

The newspapers are vigorously criticising the action of the spinners because they consider curtailment will artificially increase the price.—*Reuter.*

GOVERNMENT HOUSE INVESTITURE.

INTERESTING CEREMONY
LAST NIGHT.

Government House was the scene of a brilliant function last night, when His Excellency the Governor and Lady Clementi gave a dance.—The first since the ballroom has been rebuilt and redecorated. The dance was preceded by a dinner party.

During the evening, His Excellency invested Major D. G. Cheyne, M.C., with the insignia of officer of the Order of the British Empire.

The dinner, which took place at 7.45 p.m., was attended by thirty-five guests, the company including H.E. Major General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Lady Clementi, Commodore R. A. S. Hill, Mrs. Wood, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., Mrs. Wyatt, Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., Mrs. Hallifax, His Honour Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mrs. Owen Hughes, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mrs. Robinson, Col. W. D. S. Brownrigg, D.S.O., Lt. Col. F. J. Wyatt, Mrs. Brownrigg, His Excellency the Governor, Mrs. Cheyne, Mr. Cabral, Mr. Fraser, Miss Hallifax, Pay. Lt. Com. Passmore, Mrs. Scott, Major Lucas, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Greig, Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Mrs. Strachey, Major Robinson, Mrs. Beamish, Major Cheyne, Mrs. Ferguson, Major Beamish, Miss Owen Hughes and Captain Cameron.

Dancing in the new ballroom started at 9.30 and was attended by no less than 550 guests, and the scene, with the room artistically decorated with flowers and shrubs, amongst which mingled dainty lights, was a brilliant one. The alterations to the ballroom called for general admiration. The whole of the ceiling has been rebuilt and decorated in a delicate shade, whilst a tremendous amount of extra floor space has been provided by the abolition of the old verandahs. These have now been made part of the room, being separated from the main floor by pillars.

The Ceremony.

At 10 p.m. there was a general move towards the dance room, where the investiture took place. Promptly to the minute, the first procession, consisting of His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Major Gen. Sandilands, Commodore R. Hill, His Honour Mr. Justice Wood, and Sir Joseph Kemp entered the room, and the Lyric Band played the first six bars of the National Anthem. His Excellency and attendants took up their positions on the dais at the far end of the room, and there received the second procession, which was formed by Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Major D. G. Cheyne, M.C., R.A.M.C., Lieut. Col. Wynt and Major Lucas. After these four gentlemen had saluted His Excellency, His Honour Mr. Justice Wood received a copy of the warrant, which he read, and His Excellency invested Major Cheyne with the insignia of officer of the Order of the British Empire.

In doing so, he said:—"Major Cheyne, I give you much pleasure, on behalf of His Majesty the King, to invest you with the insignia of Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. You were Deputy Assistant Director of Hygiene with the original Shanghai Defence Force, and it was chiefly as the result of your professional ability and wholehearted devotion to duty that no serious outbreak of disease occurred among the British troops, who were operating in North China in conditions which were extremely likely to cause an epidemic. By your untiring energy, close study of the constantly varying situations, admirable foresight, practical advice and assistance, willingly rendered at all times, you made a conspicuous success of the preventive measures which you recommended, and which you personally supervised throughout the Force."

Major Cheyne and his supporters then took up their positions, next to H.E. on the dais, and the whole company stood to attention whilst the band played the National Anthem. The ceremony completed, dancing resumed until one o'clock this morning, the music being supplied by the Lyric Dance Orchestra.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1929.

WIRELESS HISTORY.

MARCONI RECALLS FIRST
TRANS-ATLANTIC SIGNAL.

London, Dec. 12.

Senator Marconi is broadcasting to-day, from England, for retransmission, through the American broadcasting stations, a description of his experience at Saint John's, Newfoundland, in receiving the famous S signal from Poldhu, Cornwall, on December 12, 1901.

This was the first wireless signal to be received across the Atlantic, and it demonstrated that waves would travel round protuberance of the earth's surface.

Marconi's broadcasts will be transmitted to the United States through the short-wave experimental station at the Marconi works, Chelmsford. He will have with him Messrs. Kemp and Paget, who were with him at Saint John's, Newfoundland, and are still associated with him.—*British Wireless.*

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"TEUCER" 14th Dec. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle
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LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via
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Hakone Maru ... Saturday, 14th Dec.
Suwa Maru ... Saturday, 28th Dec.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
Tango Maru ... Wednesday, 25th Dec.
Aki Maru ... Wednesday, 22nd Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Panang & Colombo.
Tasmania Maru ... Saturday, 14th Dec.
Tottori Maru ... Friday, 27th Dec.

SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu,
Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
Anyo Maru ... Sunday, 22nd Dec.

SOUTH AMERICA (EAST COAST) via Singapore,
Capetown & Ports.
Kamakura Maru ... Thursday, 2nd Jan.

NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.
Takaoka Maru ... Saturday, 14th Dec.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople,
Dakar Maru ... Saturday, 14th Dec.

Genoa & Marseilles.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
Murotan Maru ... Sunday, 15th Dec.
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TO OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	Kumsang Hosang	Wed. 1st Jan at 7 a.m. Sun. 19th Jan at 7 a.m.
TO SINGAPORE PENANG & CALCUTTA	Namsang Kutsang Yuonsang	Wed. 18th Dec at 3 p.m. Sat. 28th Dec at 3 p.m. Mon. 6th Jan at 3 p.m.
TO SANDAKAN	Mausang Hinsang	Fri. 27th Dec at 3 p.m. Sat. 4th Jan at noon
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Hongkong, 11th December, 1929.

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having arrived from the above ports,
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the China Provident Loan & Mortgage
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MILITARY WEDDING.

K.O.S.B. OFFICER WEDS MISS
H. M. MAHONY.

One of the most brilliant wed-
dings seen in Hongkong for some
time was celebrated yesterday
when Lieut. John Graham Shilling-
ton, 2nd Battalion K.O.S.B., was
married at St. Joseph's Church to
Miss Hilda Mary ("Helly")
Mahony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. E. R. Mahony, of 37
Drayton Gardens, London, and the
bridegroom is the son of Major
and Mrs. D. Graham Shillington,
of Ardee, Strandtown, Co.
Down, Ireland. Lieut. Shillington
is a popular officer, taking a keen
interest in most sports. He is best
known as a horseman, being a fast
polo player, and a jockey at local
gymkhanas and race meetings.

Miss Mahony wore a gown of
satin, with a train and
pearl giraffe, a tulle veil and a
pearl Russian headdress. She
carried a bouquet in the form of
a sheaf of flame coloured gladioli.
Miss Pauline Wolfe-Murray,
acted as bridesmaid, wearing a
dress of flame coloured frilled
organdi and a head wreath of
flame coloured flowers.

The bride was given away by
Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray, D.S.O.,
M.C., Senforth Highlanders, who
was accompanied by Mrs. Wolfe-
Murray, wearing a gown of red
georgette. Lieut. A. H. Maxwell,
2nd K.O.S.B., acted as best man.
The service was conducted by the
Rev. Father Rignault.

A large number of friends, in-
cluding leading naval and military
officers, and other friends of the
bridegroom attended the cere-
mony and the reception, which
was held later at the Officers' Mess,
Murray Barracks, the enter-
ing being in the capable hands of
Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd.

After the reception, the bride
and bridegroom left by the Em-
press of Asia for Manila, where
the honeymoon will be spent. The
bride's going away costume was a
deep blue kasha coat, beige
georgette blouse, blue felt hat and
fur stole.

It will be recalled that it is only
a little over a year ago that Lieut.
Shillington acted as best man to
his brother officer, Lieut. the Hon.
The Master of Napier, who has
since left for England.

THE BREWER CASE
CONTINUED.

(Continued from Page 2.)

unpaid calls on capital, first and
second calls amounting to \$204,
800. It included \$90,000 as
balance due on second call.

Can't Get Witnesses.

In your opinion were any of
these amounts receivable, and if
so, which portion?—It should not
be shown as accounts receivable
in so far as it affects the amount
of \$204,800 receivable on unpaid
calls. It should be deducted as
"less call in arrears" from the
issued capital shown on the other
side.

At this point the hearing was
adjourned until Monday after-
noon. In a discussion as to the
probable time further required for
the case, Mr. Fitzroy said his diffi-
culty was that short of issuing
warrants, he could not get his wit-
nesses. Consequently they would
be few.

On the other side, Mr. Davidson
said they would not be calling evi-
dence, as things went now, but he
would require three afternoons,
one of which would be for the
purposes of addressing the Court.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hongkong Rents.

[To The Editor of Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—The writer's final retort to
"Common Sense" on the issue of
Rent Reduction is, that if there
be one view of this question that
stimulates the supporters to harder
work than another, it is to adduce
ample evidence to expose all the
malpractices of the speculative land-
lords. Trade depression and sup-
ply and demand seem to help "Com-
mon Sense" and his coterie to
cover a multitude of sins. The fact
remains that the public is not to be
hoodwinked with verbal jugglery.
"Common Sense" does not have to
worry that the Rent Problem Com-
mittee will fall to bring to light
the dark and devious ways of evad-
ing the assessor's rate, notwith-
standing all the hard and fast rules
laid down by the Government.
Granted that "emphasis is laid on
whether rent is paid by the lunar
or solar month," can "Common
Sense" say for the Chinese
landlords that one and all abide by
this ruling without evasion what-
ever?

"Common Sense" would have us
believe again and again that "the
rent of a house is dependent on the
number of people desiring that
house" and will not admit that will
speculation on properties and pro-
fit-steering in many instances have
sent up the rentals to the detriment
of the shop-keepers. Exact figures
on this phase of the question will
also be set down and brought to the
notice of the Government in due
course.

SUPPORTER OF THE
RENT PROBLEM COMMITTEE.

Sir,—In view of the hue and cry
raised by certain selfish sections
of the Chinese community against
the formation of the Rent Problem
Committee, may I crave the medium
of your valuable space to make
clear the end and aim which
prompted some leading Chinese
merchants to form that organiza-
tion, so that the Europeans in this
Colony as well as the Hongkong
Government may understand the
core of the question at issue.

There are landlords and landlords,
in various shades and degrees.
Admittedly, few are landlords in
the real sense of the word, but
many others are sheer speculators,
who hold properties by the grace
of mortgages and loans from
friends. Directly they come into
possession of a house or group of
houses, like grim wolves, they care
for nothing else but to devour
space at the tenants for high rents
in order to pay interest on the
mortgages and in addition, make a
profit for themselves. Whenever it
is to their advantage to sell the prop-
erty for the slightest gain, they
have no scruple in so doing. The
kind of tenants that suffer the most
in the hands of these speculative
landlords are ten-houses, boarding-
houses, restaurants, cafes, and
barber-shops. All these require
considerable outlay of expense in
decorations, furnishings, etc. so as
to make their shops as attractive
as possible. In such lines of busi-
ness, an imposing shop-front is
obviously an indispensable item;
and more often than not the ex-
penditure in this regard runs up
from several thousands to ten
thousand dollars. So far as re-
gards the restaurants and board-
ing-houses, the cost for furnishings
alone may safely be put down to be-
tween several tens of thousands to
a hundred thousand dollars. It is
a matter of common daily occur-
rence that no sooner the shops have
been done up for business than
the tenants receive notice of a rise
in rent. Just imagine the "pre-

OBITUARY.

FINNISH GOVERNOR GENERAL
IN TSARIST REGIME.

Helsingfors, Dec. 11.

The death has occurred at the
age of ninety of M. Nicolai Gerard,
who was Governor-General of Fin-
land in the Tsarist regime.

When the Bolsheviks took control
of Russia and Finland assumed their
independence, M. Gerard found asy-
lum in Finland at the expense of the
Finnish Government.—Reuter.

dicament of the shop-keepers in the
circumstance. Nor is this all.
Some crafty and heartless specu-
lators make it their business to in-
quire into the doings of the shop-
keepers in the different busy local-
ties. As soon as an opportunity
offers itself, they will acquire the
properties in those centres. This
being done, the landlords will ex-
tort higher rents from the tenants,
or as an alternative, induce the
tenants to buy the properties from
them. If this request is not com-
plied with, the tenants will before
long be served with the usual
notice to quit.

Now, coming to the question of
properties under lease, it is only
natural that landlords cannot raise
rent within the specified period of
the lease, but they can extort
"shoe-money" or *pour boire* or
gratuity in devious ways. If this
is frowned at, there will be no
chance for the tenants to renew the
lease when it expires.

Many Chinese estate-agents are
equally as rapacious and never for
a moment have any consideration
for the tenants. Neither have they
the remotest idea of exorbitant
rentals, so long as they are
able to obtain a lease from the
landlord with the highest bid and
sublet them to others for a profit.
In busy centres like Wing On
Street and Bonham Strand, where
the premises are occupied by piece
goods dealers and Nam Pak Hong
merchants, respectively, the rents
demanded are disproportionate and
are more than the trade can bear.
In former years, a shop space in
Wing On Street could only fetch
several thousand dollars, whereas
nowadays the price has soared as
high as from \$40,000 to \$60,000.

As regards shop space on Bonham
Strand, at one time the value of
property ranged between \$20,000 to
\$30,000, whereas the price is now
more than trebled. In face of
such inflated values, if some of
the speculative landlords do not
raise rents in these two localities,
how can they find sufficient means
to meet the interests on mortgages?
The more the pity is that the busi-
ness of these merchants does not
increase to the extent of coping
with the continual rise in rent.
The upshot of the whole disrupted
state of affairs is that so long as
these wild speculators on properties
are in our midst, there will be no
peace in the business circle of
Hongkong, regardless of wholesale
or retail trade.

The tense situation urgently calls
for an exhaustive enquiry to probe
into the roots of the problem, and
the formation of the Rent Problem
Committee is, therefore, a step in
the right direction and constitutes
a helpful factor to eradicate a
feverish evil in Hongkong at the
moment. Of course, those bona
fide landlords who invest in prop-
erties for a legitimate return of
from 6 to 7 per cent on their money
do not and will not give trouble to
their tenants. Neither will they
incur any odium in the eyes of the
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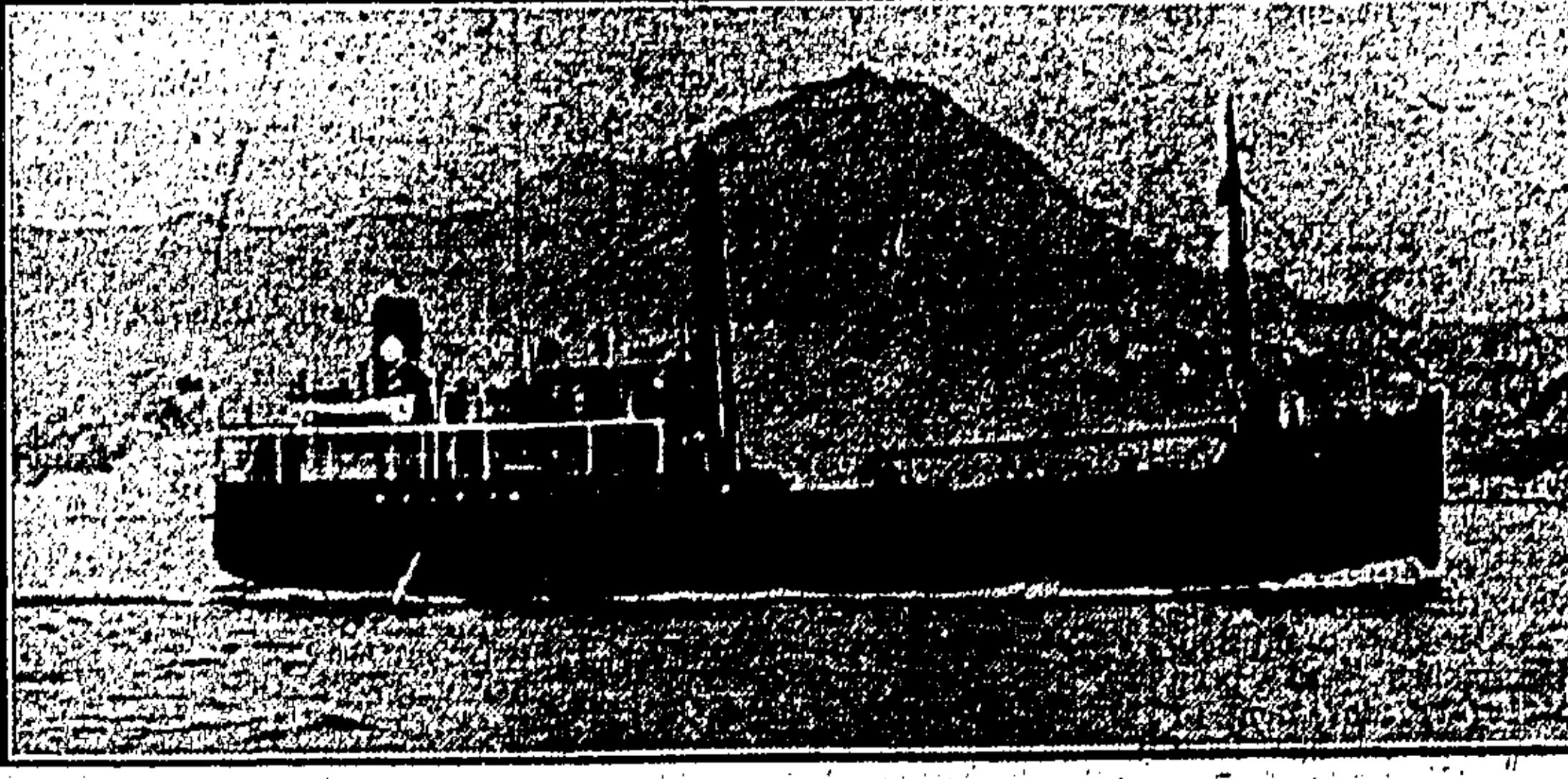
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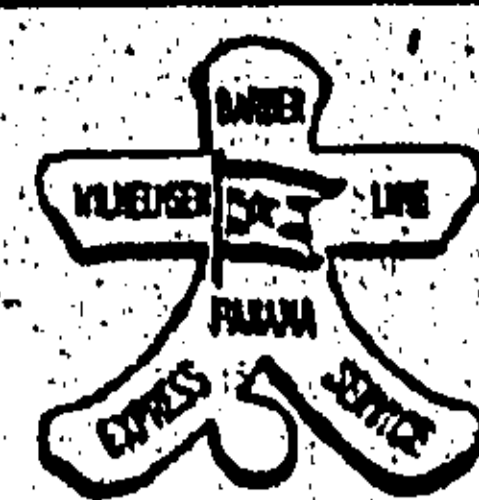
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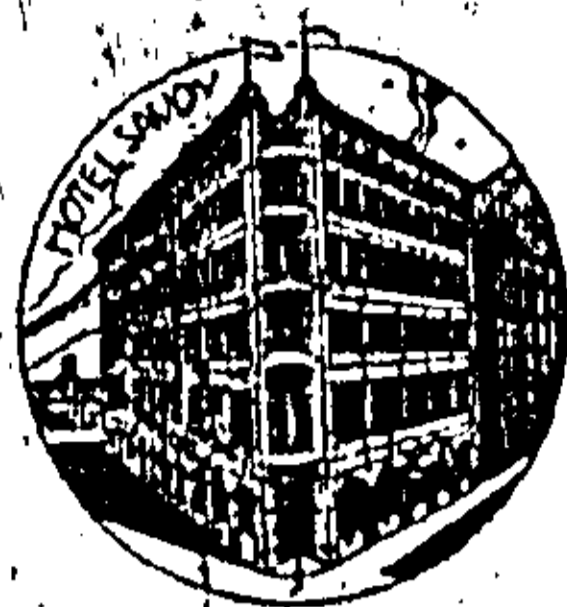
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DANGER TO PUBLIC.

Mr. G. H. Ribeiro, of No. 1, Carnarvon Villas, was fined \$30 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on conviction on a charge of driving a motor cycle recklessly and in a manner dangerous to the public in Waterloo Road on November 25.

According to the evidence of Sergeant Clark, the defendant was seen to travel at a speed of from 40 to 45 miles an hour from near the Kowloon Hospital to the Railway Bridge. He had used the road on the north of the nullah instead of going to the south of the nullah. After passing the Railway Bridge, he swerved from side to side several times and it was not till he had reached the end of Waterloo Road, where repairs were being carried out, that he slowed down.

The defendant denied travelling at 40 miles an hour and said his speed was only 30 miles.

His Worship remarked that he thought even 30 miles excessive.

On conviction of a charge of reckless driving, the driver of a motor lorry, who failed to slow down when turning from Mongkok Road into Nathan Road, was fined \$10, the defendant having a clear record. It was stated that his speed was about 15 miles an hour.

WORST OF STORM NOW OVER.

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launching a general attack on Tang Seng-chi within three days.

Rebels in Retreat.

General Hsia To-yin who is now commanding the 13th Division in Honan reports minor clashes between the pro-Nanking troops and rebels yesterday.

Although all the Divisional Commanders under Nanking in Honan and Hupoh have received instructions to challenge Tang Seng-chi, it is rather curious that the National Government has not yet announced the name of a Commander-in-Chief of the Central Government forces. Rumours in Nanking point to the possibility of General Yang Kit being appointed to that post.

Troops For Hangchow.

Subsequent to the recent disarming of doubtful troops at Hangchow, near Shanghai, the Chinese Garrison Commander of Greater Shanghai, General Hsiung Shih-hui, dispatched a brigade of troops to Hangchow to ensure the tranquillity of that city, on account of its proximity to Shanghai.

A brief cable from Tsinanfu, the capital of Shantung, states that a small contingent of Chinese troops stationed outside the city gate, mutinied two days ago, but were subsequently suppressed.

Foreign residents in Tsinanfu were not molested, although the Japanese residents are ready to withdraw from the native city if further trouble occurs among the soldiers.

REBELS HEAVILY DEFEATED.

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which was choked with corpses at the time.

The Canton News Agency representative has been informed by General Chang Wai-chang, the Chief of the National Aviation Department, that none of the Cantonese and National planes met with any damage at the hands of the enemy or accident of any kind, with the exception of one plane, which made a forced landing two weeks ago at the aerodrome in Samahui.

In the opinion of the General, the planes have proved once more that they are indispensable in time of war. The moral effect upon the insurgents has been very striking, as every time a plane appeared overhead, the troops scattered like rabbits for any shelter they could find. Besides, the planes have been able to report every movement of the enemy so that he has been forced to travel at nights.

FOGGY WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone is situated over S. Manchuria and a shallow depression over S. W. China. Moderate to light variable winds over the China with coastal fog. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—East winds, moderate to light; generally fair; some fog.

BRITAIN'S PEACE QUEST.

INTERESTED ONLY IN
RESULTS.

MR. HENDERSON ON NAVAL
DISARMAMENT.

TRIBUTES TO FRANCE.

London, Dec. 12.

"Neither in this nor in any other part of the world problem are we interested in theories. We are interested only in results," said Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, in the course of an eloquent appeal regarding disarmament problems at a dinner of the United Association of Great Britain and France.

Mr. Henderson was proposing the toast of "France" and in the course of his speech he reviewed Anglo-French relations at some considerable length.

In the dim and distant past, he said, there had been misunderstandings between the two countries, and he related how those misunderstandings began first to be cleared away by the Anglo-French Entente.

Salutary Change.

This salutary change in the relations of Britain and France had been greatly assisted by the institution of the League of Nations.

All through the early years of the League, it was the British and the French delegations which worked solidly together to build it up.

Differences of opinion made no difference to their fundamental co-operation.

Naval Co-Operation.

Speaking of the forthcoming Five-Power Naval Conference, Mr. Henderson recalled the following words used by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald when he was Premier in 1924, in a letter to M. Poincaré, who was the French Premier:

"The condition of Europe can only, I feel convinced, be remedied by joint action between France and England, undertaken with full sympathy for their respective requirements, and with a wise regard for the interests of the world at large."

"That letter," said Mr. Henderson, "led to great results. It is in the spirit of that letter that I look forward to the questions ahead."

Nothing Cut and Dried.

It was for such co-operation as we had with France in 1924 that he was now prepared. The understanding which Mr. MacDonald had so happily reached with the President of the United States did not mean we would go to the naval conference with any rigid or cut-and-dried proposals, taking account of British interests only. He earnestly hoped and believed that the other delegations would do the same, would eschew rigid principles and formulae, and would come to the conference animated by a desire to arrive by a process of mutual conciliation at the greatest common measure of naval disarmament.

The Best Agreement.

Mr. Henderson added: "Neither in this nor in any other part of the world disarmament problem are we interested in theories. We are interested only in results. Other delegations will find that we shall not be difficult but on the contrary that we will work with them in all sincerity to reach the best agreement.—British Wireless.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Dec. 12.

Paris	128.005
Brussels	24.80
Amsterdam	12.094
Berlin	20.58
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Vienna	19.44
Helsingfors	108.25
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Milan	53.225
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Oslo	16.205
Prague	16.44
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Hong Kong	1/2 1/82
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—British Wireless.

BRITISH TROOPS DEPART.

LEAVE THE RHINELAND AFTER
ELEVEN YEARS.

GENERAL'S SPEECH.

London, Dec. 12.

At two o'clock this afternoon, the British flag was lowered at the Hohenzollern Hotel, Wiesbaden, announcing the end of eleven years of British occupation of the Rhine Territory.

The ceremony of departure took place in the presence of the British Commander-in-Chief, General Sir William Thwaites, and the French Commander-in-Chief, General Guillaumat.

After a general parade, at which music was provided by military bands, the last body of British troops left for England, travelling via Saar-Brücken.

General Thwaites, speaking in German from the steps of the Town Hall, bade farewell to the assembled citizens of Wiesbaden. He said:—"Since we came into the zone, you Germans and we English have worked together in delicate circumstances. It has not been pleasant to you, and it has not been easy for us, but I feel we can congratulate each other upon our behaviour to each other. The memory of our long sojourn in your wonderful Rhineland will always remain with us. Our life here has helped us to understand the German people better. You, on your part, have learned to understand the sterling qualities of the British soldier."—British Wireless.

EUROPEAN KILLED IN F.M.S.

ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF
RIFLE.

Kuala Lumpur, Dec. 5.

Particulars regarding the death of Mr. Harry Arnold Burgess, Assistant Engineer in the employ of the Hongkong Tin Dredging Co., at Puchong on Tuesday, indicate that it was purely accidental.

At about 11.30 Mr. Burgess, who was 26 years of age, was seated on the veranda of his bungalow, situated on the company's grounds, when Mr. B. Katon, who was living with him and was also an assistant engineer on the same dredge, came to him and asked him to take the service rifle which he held as a member of the M.S.V.R. into headquarters for the annual inspection of arms as he was shortly going away on leave.

Mr. Katon is said to have brought the rifle out of his room to give it to Mr. Burgess but in handing it over, the weapon, which was loaded, was accidentally discharged and Mr. Burgess was struck by the bullet in his right hand and chest and instantly killed.

JAPANESE LOSSES IN MANCHURIA.

CONSULATE AT MANCHULI
BOMBED BY SOVIET.

Harbin, Dec. 13.

The first information from Manchuli since the border town was occupied by Soviet troops a month ago has been received by the correspondent of the Rengo Agency.

The report states that the Japanese consulate at Manchuli was bombed by Soviet planes and that considerable damage was done to Japanese property when Manchuli was occupied.—Reuter.

Mukden, Dec. 13.

Official reports from Poketu state that the Russians continue their military operations. The Chinese positions at Poketu and Hsinging were attacked and bombed on the 11th instant.—Reuter.

BOXING CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

A. B. ROWLES READY TO MEET
MARINE SMITH.

Regarding the challenge issued from the ring by Marine Smith at the recent boxing tournament, we have received the following message from the manager of A. B. Rowles:

"A. B. Rowles accepts the challenge of Marine Smith for the heavyweight belt and title and is, moreover, prepared to back himself to the extent of \$250, when articles are signed.

"It now rests with the Hongkong Boxing Association to accept Smith as a bona-fide challenger."

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